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(By CARY B. LEWIS.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 28.—Quite a deal of interest is being manifested here in the proposed merging of the Eckstein-Norton Institute and the Lincoln Institute, the new industrial and normal school which is soon to be established near Louisville, following the completion of a $50,000 fund now being raised in this city.

For nineteen years Eckstein-Norton Institute has been running successfully, having a student body of upwards of 200, coming from twenty-six States of the Union. The school has showed signs of great success, and required $400 per month for running expenses and has not had an endowment fund. It has been operated largely as a faith enterprise, not knowing sometimes wheer the money was coming from, but its president, Dr. C. H. Parrish, has managed to kee p it going.

Dr. Parrish has represented the school on platforms at London an din Germany. From this school many students have graduated and are filling honorable places in the professions, trades and in business in the State and all parts of the country.

To merge the Eckstein-Norton Institute and the new Lincoln school would reconcile all doubt in the minds of the colored people that Berea people wish to exclude the colored students from obtaining an education. If the merger goes through, and from the lastet inforamtion it will, it is intended to transfer the student body of Eckstein-Norton Institute to whatever site is secured for Lincoln Institute. If none is secured between now and next fall, to begin work on the site now used at Eckstein-Norton Institute.

In the conference was Dr. J. B. Marvin, trustee of Eckstein, Dr. C. H. Parrish and Prof. Frost, president of Berea College. There is said to be no serious obstacles to the merger, and that there is every reason to believe that it will be completed. In the meantime legal developments will be worked out so that all necessary arrangements can be completed.

Eckstein was established twenty years ago by Dr. William J. Simmons, who was one of the greatest Negroes of the race, and he presided over the school for a number fo years. Upon his death he was succeeded by Dr. C. H. Parrish. The school has been hampered for lack of funds, and those interested in it are glad that the work which it has been doing will be carried out on a broader and more efficient basis by the Lincoln Institute.

Dr. James Bond, secretary of the Berea trustee board, has been all over the State soliciting funds from members of his race, and he said yesterday that he was much pleased with the spirit and enthusiasm manifested in the new Lincoln school. He said: "I am greatly pleased with the large amount of money that is being given by my people and the subscriptions that are coming in daily by them."

Here in Louisville, business men and professional men, as well as other classes of people, are joining the movement, and are giving substantial aid to the Lincoln Institute. The leaders of the race are taking up the matter and pushing it with zeal and energy.

Since the connection of the new Institute with such men on the board as Col. Bruce Haldeman, Louisville, Hon. J. B. Atkinson, Madisonville, and others, a new spirit has been manifested. It is believed that the work of raising the $50,000 will be soon completed, and the $400,000 will be available, and a great institution will be realized in the confines of Kentucky.

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The Rev. E. G. Harris, Attorney W. L. Ricks, Dr. E. D. Whedbee, Mrs. Rachel Davis Harris, Miss Armah Wilson, Mrs. F. L. Cabell and Cary B. Lewis left this week to attend the East Tennessee Association of Congregational Churches. A program brimful of interest has been arranged for the meeting, and some of the leading spirits in the South will have a place on the program.

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The citizens of Louisville certainly demonstrated that they appreciate high-class musicals by the lagre crowd of select people who were present Monday night at Quinn Chapel A. M. E. Church to hear Mme. Arnita Patti Brown in a recital. There have been many notable recitals in this city given by men and women who came to this city, and the one on Monday night stands out as the most prominent. Mme. Brown was under the personal direction of Mrs. J. C. Anderson, and the intelligent and generous people of the city came to her assistance; the result was that one of the largest crowds that ever witnessed a recital was present on that occasion.

Mme. Brown's singing was exceptionally fine. She has a well-trained soprano voice, sweet and musical. The program was arranged to reach the moods of the audience, and at the conclusion of each solo she was vociferously applauded, and she responded with beautiful selections. The "Coco" song was the feature of the evening. She sang this with a spirit of delightfulness that completely enraptured the audience. "Way Down Upon the Swanee River" was one of the encore selections which was generously appreciated.

Mme. Brown was assisted by Mrs. Fannie Lee, who played two very fine selections upon the cornet, accompanied by Miss M. L. Johnson. This number evoked a great deal of applause, and she responded wiah an encore. Misses Jane Johnson Simpson and Emma Lee Claybrooks and Dr. Wilson Ballard were among the others who charmed the audience with musical selections.

The event was a great success, and it was a profitable affair. The wide sympathy and generous approval of the undertaking, high-class program given, and the successful advertising used in the coming of Mme. Brown, all added to make it the most successful recital ever given in Louisville. Such concerts will no longer go a-begging in Louisville, if pushed with the energy and intelligence as did Mrs. J. C. Anderson on Monday night.

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Dr. W. H. Perry has succeeded in securing the Rev. E. L. Powell, pastor of the white Christian Church, Fourth and Walnut streets, to address the Teachers' Institute, May 1. His subject will be "Vision." Dr. Powell is one of the leading pulpit orators of the state, and the fact that Dr. Perry has secured his services means that every teacher in the city will be present to hear him.

Prof. J. T. Gaines, principal of the Commercial High School, will speak on "Grammar, Its True Place in the Language Course." Prof. Joseph Cotter will conduct the story-telling department. Oral language will be conducted by Miss Sarah L. Rogers, and she will conduct a query box.

The Institute has been exceedingly interestingly successful this year, and Dr. Perry has had the entire co-operation of all the principals of the city. White friends have been very generous in their presence and words of encouragement. The coming of Dr. Lewis B. Moore, of Washington, D. C., has given the people of the city an opportunity to see that the teaching force was greatly interested in the cause of education.

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"The Black Cabinet" in the city of Louisville is a joke if they don't do more for the "brother" at an early date than they have done the past year. The intelligent Negroes are not going to be allowed to let a few Negroes who are satisfied with minor jobs tell the Republicans all the Negroes are with us. The Negro nowadays is not satisfied until he gets all that's coming to him, and they believe in Louisville that more is coming to them than what they have received. Let the "Black Cabinet" push the Negroes' claims and do something for the intelligent Negroes of the city, or else stop trying to pose as the acknowledged dictators and janitor-distributors. The Negro of the twentieth century is looking for some young Negro to lead out, and unless the "Cabinet" gets a move on them, a change will soon be made. That old way of leading with the jug and taffy is fast passing away.

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The State Medical Association will meet in Frankfort, May 12 and 13. This is the home of Dr. E. E. Underwood, one of the most widely known physicians in the state. It was at his home that the famous Booker T. Washington was entertained when the Wizard of the South visited the State Normal and Industrial Institute. Word comes here that Dr. Underwood and the other two physicoians of that city have completed plans for the association, and that it is expected to be one of the best meetings in its history.

This organization went on record last year as pledging its best efforts toward stamping out tuberculosis. A steady warfare has been carried on by the physicians of the state, and much good has come from the effort.

Dr. P. D. Robinson will preside at the meeting. A fine program has been arranged for the meeting, and many subjects will come up for consideration. The social feature will be well carred for by Dr. Underwood. The banquet will be a feature of the socials. The doctors will be driven to the new State Capitol and the Penitentiary and Normal Hill.

Nearly every successful practicing physician of this city will attend, headed by Dr. Walter Adams, Dr. J. A. C. Lattimore, Dr. E. D. Whedbee and Dr. H. B. Beck. Physicians from all parts of the state are expected to attend the meeting and keep informed as to the advancement of one of the greatest sciences known to mankind.

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"Sambo Waxed Fat and Kicked" was the subject of Charles Steward, the well-known newspaper correspondent, to the student body of the State University, Tuesday night. He gave a very humorous and instructive address, one of the best that has been heard at the institution for a long time. Mr. Steward is a native of Frankfort, Ky., and went to school in Louisville. He later went to Chicago and became connected with a Chicago daily, and has since been doing newspaper work for the leading daily papers of this country. He is a syndicate writer, and travels mostly in the South, reporting meetings and delivering addresses. He left for his home in Frankfort on Wednesday morning.

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The Young Men's Progressive League held a very interesting meeting last week at their club rooms, 1100 West Walnut street. Dr. J. A. C. Lattimore, president of the club, presided at the meeting. Prof. J. R. Harris, chairman of the house rules committee, reported, and the rules were adopted. The chairman of the opening committee reported, and his report was received and adopted.

A campaign will soon begin for new members, and its is expected that within a few months many of the leading young men of the city will affiliate with the organization. The rooms are nicely furnished and well appointed, having rooms for cards and pool games.

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Mrs. Lela Kennedy has returned from French Lick Springs, Ind. Mrs. Kennedy went to take the water for ten days, and returned to the city much improved.

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The Japanese Embroidery Club will meet at an early date at the residence of Mrs. Estella Kirk, 635 Fifteenth street.

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Cahrlie Rice, of French Lick Springs, is in the city. Mr. Rice is a proprietor of a hotel at the Springs. He is here undergoing medical treatment.

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Misses Mattie Frye and Lillian Merrit left this week for French Lick Springs, to be gone several days.

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Mrs. Josephine Scott entertained at a birthday dinner this week in honor of her husband, at their home, Tewenty-ninth and Walnut streets.

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Arthur Harris, 541 North Thirty-seventh street, has been quite ill, but is much improved under the medical advice of Dr. Walter Adams.

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The Odd Fellows will hold their annual sermon at Jacob Street Tabernacle the second Sunday in May. The Rev. Hannun will deliver the special sermon.

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Lake Lilly Quartette serenaded the Pekin Cafe Friday night, to the delight of many patrons. The quartette is composed of Sanford Harris, bass; Julius Mitchell, tenor; Bud Morris, baritone, and Harney Vance, leader. Their headquarters are 1427 Congress street.

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The Spears Gun Club is making preparations to shoot at an early date. They have organized for the season, and the shooting will be under the direction of Mr. Spears.

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Thomas Cole has informed us that he intends building a handsome three-story office building at the southeast corner of Eighth and Walnut streets.

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The many friends of Richard Irvin, an employe of Tom Cole, will be pleased to learn he is much better. Mr. Irvin has been ill for several weeks, but is expected to be out in a few days.

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"The Country School" is the title of the play that is scheduled to be played at Macauley's Theater May 7. Asher Brown is director of the young people who are taking parts, and from all reports it is to be a howling success.

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William E. Smith, of Cincinnati, Ohio, was the guest of Miss Georgia A. Lattimore last Sunday. Mr. Smith is one of the most prominent young men of the Queen City, and visits frequently at the Lattimore residence.

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Dr. Daniel Williams, of Chicago, Ill., was in the city this week, and operated on Mrs. Lillie Edwards. Dr. Williams was assisted by Dr. W. T. Merchant, city physician. The operation was abdominal in nature, and was successfully performed. It is said to have been very difficult.

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Mr. and Mrs. Nat Busey, 731 West Walnut street, are the proud parents of a fine baby girl, one week old to-day. Mr. and Mrs. Busey are very popular and have been the recipients of many congratulations, while Miss Busey has received a number of presents.

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The talk of the town is the special sermon that is to be delivered to the Young Men's Business Club on the second Sunday night in May by the Rev. J. C. Anderson, pastor of the Quinn Chapel A. M. E. Church, Ninth and Walnut streets. The citizens of Louisville are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

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James Caldwell returned to the city last Wednesday night from Chicago, Ill., accompanied by his niece, Miss Virena Clark. Mr. Caldwell went to Chicago to bring the remains of his mother to Bloomfield, Ky., where she was buried. Mrs. Lizzie Walker, the mother of Mr. Caldwell, was an old citizen of Bloomfield, but had lived in Chicago for quite a while. She was buried from the Methodist Church in Bloomfield, and a large number of friends were present at the funeral. Miss Clark returned to Chicago Monday.

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Mme. Marie Thomas, 1220 West Chestnut street, is making quite a success in manicuring and hair dressing. She is a finished worker in the trade, and has succeeded in building up a lucrative patronage. She came here from Ohio four months ago, and is making her home with Mrs. S. H. Holden.

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To write anything of Roy Tibbs' organ recital on last Friday night except an appreciation in as impossibility for a lover of music or a musician, unless the latter be envious, and then envy is apt to be lost in wonder and admiration. The program given was a most pretentious one, and deserves the highest praise.

Prof. Tibbs is a credit to our city. His work with the Episcopal Church choir has caused the music to be sweeter than ever and the attendance to immeasurebly increase. Long ago the people of Louisville have endorsed every organ recital he has given by being present in large numbers. He has now under his training a large chorus preparing to render at one of the theaters "The Prodigal Son." We do not know who will manage the affair, but if it is managed as the one on Monday night, a large audience should be present on that occasion.

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ST. PAUL, MINN.

Special to T E FREEMAN.

Miss Elizabeth Ross, the only colored delegate to the National Convention of the Y. W. C. A., was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. H. S. Graves during her stay in the city....Mrs. Mary Bell, mother of Mrs. Cora Griscom and George Bell, died on April 28....The U. B. F. and S. M. T. are planning a royal entertainment of the National Grand Lodge when it meets here in July. There will be delegates from all over the United States. The committee has procured the Auditorium for the grand ball to be given; the sessions will be held in the capitol, and the outdoor sports will be held at the State Fair grounds....P. E. Reid has been south getting men to play on his Gopher baseball team. Mr. Reid says he will have one of the best aggregations of baseball players in the States this season....Rev. McCoo, of Chicago, is assisting Rev. Carter in a series of revival meetings at Pilgrim Baptist Church....A large audience witnessed the drama "A Woman's Honor" on April 22. Much credit is dues Misses Bertha Lewis, Ruperta Hogsett, Bessie Johnson, Messrs. Eddie Hatton, Edgar DeBaptiste, F. L. D. Parker, Charles Granby, Payton Ruffin and Austin Rodgers. Mrs. Belle Graves, under whose management the play was given, is deserving of a great deal of praise...."The Busy Corner," which is conducted by Mr. and Mrs. John Robinson, has become the popular place for young people to go for the confectioneries, soft drinks, etc. Mr. Robinson is a young man of energy and thrift, and should get the patronage of our people....George H. Evans has opened an office in the Union Block, and is prepared to build small houses for our people on the installment plan. Mr. Evans is a contractor and builder, and has built several handsome residences and flatts.

SPOKANE, WASH.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The entertainment given by Club C of St. Thomas Mission on the 1st at Improvement Hall was a grand success...Mr. E. Burges, one of our old-timers, was called to the bedside of his mother in Ohio, who is not expected to live...Mrs. John Brown, the mother of Miss Minnie Brown, will leave in a few days to join her daughter, Miss Minnie Brown, at New York...L. R. Ridley, the president of the Door Club, entertained the reception committee on the 17th at the residence of Mrs. S. A. Hadley, 521 S. Barnard street. Those present were Mrs. I. N. Curtley, C. S. Ryan, Wm. Ryan, S. A. Hadley, C. S. Parker, M. B. Sykes, Wm Mash, S. Billings, B. Seay and Misses H. Stafford, B. Knight, B. Porter, Mrs. L. R. Ridley. The table was beautifully decorated. The party was served in colation style...I. N. Curtley left on the 18th for the East to visit his relatives...Grand Master E. Hockings was in the city for a few days the week of the 18th...R. Longhorn, who has been confined to his room for some time, died on the 20th and was buried on the 22d. Rev. J. Gorden McPherson conducted the services...The Door Club gave their full dress entertainment at Columbia Hall on the 21st. They had a swell crowd.

PARIS, KY.

The "Old Maids" entertainment at the Christian Church was a financial success. The evening's receipts amounted to $37...Mrs. Mollie Talbott lost by death her little daughter....Rev. Henderson, of Cynthiana, Ky., is helping Rev. Webster in a week's meeting at the First Baptist Church of Paris....Elder Hagood, presiding elder of the Lexington Conference, was in our city this week....The Woman's Board of Missions was in session at the M. E. Church, and rendered some very fine programs.

NEW INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

TO BE ESTABLISHED NEAR LOUISVILLE, KY.

MUCH INTEREST IN THE INSTITUTION

Large Crowd Hears Madam Anita Patti Brown—Teacher's Institute Meets Today—Notes of General Interest.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

NORMAL, Ala., April 24.—William H. Councils, for thirty-five years president of the Agricultural and Mechanical College for Negroes, located here ,and who more than any other one Negro did real pioneer work in the effort to establish the idea of industrial education for the masses of the race, was buried here last Wednesday, just across the driveway from the beautiful Carnegie Library, in the presence of more than 5,000 people.

Never in the history of the South has so much honor been paid to the memory of a colored man who was born in slavery. White men, black men, white women, black women, all vied with each other to say something in honor of the man who had wrought so well for the race he loved, and who had labored and struggled that his people might enjoy equal opportunities. Prominent Negroes were here from all parts of the South to atten dthe ceremonies, which were perhaps the most elaborate of any similar services held in the South. The body of President Council lay in state from Saturday, April 17, until Wednesday, adn was viewed by thousands of people besides the vast concourse that witnessed the finad ceremonies.

Addresses by Hon. S. J. Mayhew, president, Hon. Ben P. Hunt and Hon. David A. Grayson, members of the board of commissioners; the funeral sermon by the Rev. Dr. J. M. Hendersin, of Payne University, Selma, Ala., the funeral oration by the Hon. H. V. Cashin, Decatur, Ala., and the special music for the occasion, were the principal features of the funeral ceremonies.

Short addresses were delivered by Dr. R. F. Boyd, Hon. J. C. Napier, A. N. Johnson ,and Ira T. Bryant, of the A. M. E. Sunday school union, and special musical numbers were sung, as follows: "Face to Face," Miss Bertha L. Tate, Montgomery, Ala.; "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," A. and M. College Glee Club; "In Thee, O Lord," Miss Ellen Henderson, Nashville, Tenn.; "Crossing the Bar," Miss Isora R. Garrett, Nashville, Tenn.; "Somewhere," Glee Club Quartette, and a quartette composed of Misses Virginia C., Susannah W., Eloise and Mr. W. L. Clay, sung a requiem that was composed for the funeral of their father, the late Hon. J. W. Clay, once Governor of the State of Alabama, and editor of the Huntsville, Ala., Democrat. Many of the people present pronounced this the most remarkable tribute ever paid to the Negro in the South.

Appropriate resolutions from the faculty were read by Mrs. H. M. F. Archer; from the alumni by J. Turner Thomas, M. D., of Birmingham, Miss I. R. Garrett, of Nashville, and J. H. Poe, of Huntsville; the student body, Mahon W. Cooley; North Alabama Conference of the A. M. E. Church, Rev. W. D. Johnson, Birmingham. Hundreds of telegrams and messages of condolence were received from all parts of the nation, and a magnificent floral display, offerings from many organizations, were banked high upon the grave of the distinguished educator.

BIG ROCK, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. W. J. Wade is on the sick list and has been for about two weeks, but at present writing is better...The quarterly conference of the Legate circuit of the Clarksville district convened at Anderson Chapel. Rev. G. W. Porter, D. D., of Memphis is the P. E. of this district. The conference was a success in every way. Dr. G. W. Porter preaches and lectures all through his conferences. He is sure causing his people to look up. Dr. Porter is remaining with Prof. P. D. Kingins this week until Thursday, when he leaves for the Oakwood circuit...Prof. P. D. Kingins was in Dover on the 19th on business. He and the county superintenedent had a long talk concerning the work of the annual institute which will be held in June. Without a dobut Prof. Kingins will be the conductor of the colored teachers' institute...The teachers' monthly association met in Dover, Tenn., on the 24th. Prof. P. D. Kingins, the president of this association, instructed in the state reading course. At the close of the meeting Prof. P. D. Kingins lectured at length to the teachers concerning the duty and responsibility of the colored teachers in lifting up their race. Mrs. Lucy Blaine, formerly Miss L. Ladd, of Kentucky, was introduced by the president to the association. Mrs. Blaine in a polished talk made way to the tender affectionate chamber of our heart and we count her one of us in this work. Mrs. Nicie Dixson, one of our best citizen of Big Rock, was introduced to the teachers of the association. Mrs. Dixson's address was wholesome and full of many spicy things of interest to the teachers of Stewart county. ...Mrs. A. Parhm was the guest of Mrs. Nicie Dixson Saturday...Mrs. A. Parham had a number of friends to call on her Sunday...Prof. P. D. Kingins lectured to the Sunday school at Bethel A. M. E. Church Sunday....Subscribe for The Freeman, you can find out the progressive people of your race.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Mattie Douglass has left to visit friends at Indianapolis...Mr. Churchill Faro has returned home after a successful trip through southern Indiana...Miss Veronia Clarke, of Chicago, brought the remains of her grandmother through Louisville, Ky., on her way to Bloomfield. She was accompanied by her uncle, Mr. J. N. Caldwell.

Old World News.

From Our Own Correspondent.

THE ARMY ATHLETIC MEET IN THE PHILIPPINES

The Great Victory of the Colored Army Athletes in Both the Division and Department of Mindanao Meets.

The Doings of the Twenty-Fifth Infantry in Garrison.

MANILA, P. I., March, 1909.—The closing day of the Philippines Division Athletic Meet has brought to an end the greatest victory for the colored troops present and the individual contestants ever won in this Division, and, for that matter, throughout the entire meets of the Army. Last year's record was left in the obscured, while this, our last one for this our of foreign service, stands in a class alone.

What has been demonstrated in this athletic meet by men of colored regiments is the much-argumented question of the physical superiority of the black man over the whites when surrounded with like environments. The following events were won by the selected troops and individual competitors from the three colored regiments now over here, the Ninth and Tenth Cavalry and the Twenty-fifth Infantry.

Troop A, Tenth Cavalry, carried off the first honors in the swimming contest. The Tenth Cavalry relay team and the machine gun platoon excelled in their respective events. For each of the entries the winners were awarded a beautiful trophy.

The Ninth Cavalry came in for its share of honors in the colored victory by carrying away the mounted wrestling event, besides furnishing a very strong individual team.

The Twenty-fifth Infantry was the most highly honored of any of the colored regiments, having the best team of individual competitors and winning the greater number of events in their respective entries. This regiment can boast of having a most excellent representative of the late John B. Taylor, the colored champion quarter-mile runner of the University of Pennsylvania, in the person of George Washington, of Company K. Washington has distinguished himself by winning for two consecutive years the 100-yard dash and the 220 and 880-yard runs. He was awarded the gold medal for the "best all-round athlete," and three silver medals for the above-mentioned events. After having won the Philippines Division championship for short and long-distance runner, Mr. Washington was detained in Manila at the carnival to run again Corporal Andrews, of His British Majesty's Army, from the British Legation at Hongkong, China, from whom he took the "bacon," thereby wining for himself the title of "champion runner of the Far East." He was awarded a gold medal for this contest.

Second in honors to Private Washington comes Sergeant Oscar Morgan, Company F, Twenty-fifth Infantry, who won the heavyweight boxing championship of the Philippines from a white soldier at near the same time Jack Johnson defeated Tommy Burns in Sydney. The following article is quoted from the Cable-News American, a daily paper of Manila, relative to Sergeant Morgan's fistic ability. In part it is as follows:

"Sergeant Morgan, of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, who has the reputation of being the champion heavyweight boxer of the Philippines, enlivened yesterday's program by appearing in the sawdust circle for a three-round sparring exhibition with Sergeant Cecora, of the Fourth Battery Field Artillery. The decision went to Morgan on points. He is a powerful man, and very clever with the mitts. He should put up a very good showing with many so-called fighters."

It is interesting to note, at this particular time, that while we have experienced the loss of our champion lightweight boxer in the person of Gans, Jack Johnson has come to the front as the probable future champion heavyweight by defeating Tommy Burns, while Sergeant Morgan holds the title for the Philippine Islands.

Sergeant Baxter Watson, Company K, was a winner of the running high jump, and Private King, Company A, Twenty-fifth Infantry, came home with the medal for putting the 16-pound shot.

Two coveted events we had the misfortune to lose were the 220-yards swim, taken from Private Petit, last year's winner (formerly of the Ninth Cavalry, now of the Twenty-fifth Infantry), and the light-weight boxing championship, won from Private Jackson, of Company M, Twenty-fifth Infantry. In Jackson are qualities which give great prospects of his ultimate success in the pugilistic arena, for he has the ability to give and take hard punishment.

THE DEPARTMENT OF MINDANAO MEET.

This athletic meet was a more overwhelming victory for the Twenty-fifth Infantry than the Division meet. The baseball team was awarded the loving cup by winning 15 points out of 30 against the strong teams of the Eighteenth Infantry, the Twenty-third Infantry and the Sixth Cavalry..

Out of nineteen events entered into by this regiment, the Eighteenth Infantry, the Twenty-third Infantry and the Sixth Cavalry, the competitors of the Twenty-fifth Infantry carried away ten first-place entries and nine second-place entries.

The heavyweight boxing went to Sergeant Morgan, Company F, in first place, with Private Benjamin Franklin, Company L, taking second place.

The running high jump was won by Sergeant Baxter Watson, Company K.

Second place throwing 16-pound hammer went to Sergeant Morgan.

Putting 16-pound shot won by Private John King, Company A.

George Washington made the 100-yard dash in 10 2-5 seconds.

First place in running broad jump went to Corporal Thomas Parker, Company E, while second place went to Private John Grant, Company A.

Lightweight wrestling won by W. J. Williams, Company I.

The relay race (880 yards) conceded to the Twenty-fifth Infantry Team. Record established at 1 min. 33 1-5 sec.

Private Harvey Wiley, Company B, won the 120-yard hurdle in 19 seconds, while Private Prior Sharp, Company M, won the 220-yard hurdle in 29 2-5 seconds.

The 220-yard dash went to Washington in 23 4-5 seconds, as did the 440-yard run, made in 52 1-5 seconds.

Considering the number of competitors and the number of events won by the Twenty-fifth Infantry teams, we have great reason to rejoice at our victory in athletics, likewise the entire race who are observers of military affairs, especially those parts which relate to the welfare and triumphs of the colored regiments.

TWENTY-FIFTH INFANTRY IN GARRISON.

The post gave an ovation to the athletes of the regiment a few nights ago, on which occasion Private Washington, our twice-champion runner of the Philippines, and Sergeant Morgan, our champion heavyweight boxer, were the guests of honor, while many medals hung upon the breasts of the men who had distinguished themselves at the Department and Division meets.

No banquet more brilliant has ever been given in the post, or which was more sociable and pleasant. A great number of officers and their wives and families were out, as also were many Filipino ladies. The ladies of our colony were attired in some of the most fashionable and lovely gowns, made on the pattern of the Parisian directoire, which showed to advantage their most beautiful personages.

Music was furnished by the band, which rendered many pretty selections. Dancing was the prominent feature. The post commander delayed the "call to quarters" an hour and a half to enable the banqueters to enjoy themselves far into the night.

The chaplain, upon his return from the Division meet, where he assisted in the conducting of religious services, has been giving a number of moving picture shows, depicting scenes throughout the islands and views of the Division meet, which have been greatly enjoyed.

The Scott Litery Society is in a flourishing condition, and is a great social and intellectual factor in our post.

DAVID W. ADAMS.

MOUNDS, ILL.

Elder H. P. Patten, of the A. M. E. Church, is engaged in the most successful series of revival meetings ever known in Mounds. There have been over forty conversions and thirty-six accessions to his church so far, and still the meeting continues....Douglass Colored School, in our city, quietly closed last Friday morning, after a term of seven months, with Prof. H. T. McCorkle at the head, ably assisted by the following teachers: Room No. 1, Miss Pauline Owens; No. 2, Miss Cecelia McCorkle; No. 3, Miss Willie Brassfield; No. 4, Miss Maude Perry; No. 5, Miss Bertha Owens, and No. 6, Prof. H. T. McCorkle....S. T. Sealey, M. D., of Trinidad, B. W. I., late graduate of Meharry Medical College, a branch of Walden University, at Nashville, Tenn., is in our city visiting Prof. H. T. McCorkle and prospecting on a location. Quite likely he will decide to hang out his medical shingle here for future practice....Quite an interesting school election was held here last Saturday evening, for president and two members of the board. As the whites tried to defeat the two colored members whose term expired (Chambliss and Howard), thereby making the board white, the affair became quite animated. Some 575 votes were polled, and Howard and Chamblass were elected by 75 majority each. ....The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn (little Vesta Lee) died very suddenly last Sunday night at about 11 o'clock....Mrs. Malinda Quigly, who has been confined to her bed some five weeks, still remains quite ill....Mr. Jones, of Jackson, Tenn., and Miss Fanney Chambliss, of this city, were quietly married at the home of her brother Mr. H. Chambliss, Wednesday evening....Miss Esther Lott, of Cairo, is in the city visiting Miss Willie Brassfield. ....Miss Serena B. Herman, who has been engaged as a teacher in Villa Ridge schools, and her sister, Gertrude Herman, of Jacksonville, Ill., who is visiting at Villa Ridge, called on Miss Cecelia McCorkle a while Wednesday....Linnard Williams will seel T E FREEMAN weekly. See him if you wish to keep posted on the race issues of the day.

LET ALL REJOICE WITH OUR BOARD.

Our Foreign Mission Rally, which begun with Easter Sunday, has been more far-reaching and possibly was more generally observed than in any previous year during the past fourteen, if not the past twenty-nine years of our work. A number of B. Y. P. U.'s, Missionary Societies and Churches have also sent contributions. From Indiana we have received up to this date, April 19, $43.47. The largest amount, $5, was given by Mt. Zion Sunday-school of Indianapolis.

Our Board really needs $14,000 to-day. This would be but a little more than $1 apiece from the 17,000 Negro Baptist Sunday-schools, would gladden the hearts of our workers everywhere, and save us from much humiliation as a denomination. Of course, only a few of our pastors and superintendents see this matter in its proper light, and the Foreign Mission Board must stand like the mother elephant who exposes her body to the deadly arrows of native hunters in defense of her young, while it remains on the safe side, unconscious of death that pierces the mother elephant, until she falls dead, that the little one may live. Surely the day will come when every Baptist preached and every well-informed superintendent, indeed, all good Baptists, will be missionary to the core, and will not see how little, but how much they can give. They will feel and say, like Simeon Calhoun did, when he prayerfully read the Great Commission—it seemed ablaze with light from the Master who uttered it. Though only a member of a church, he exclaimed: "Somebody must go. I am somebody; therefore, I must go." Yes, the time is coming when thousands of lukewarm, cold, indifferent members of our Baptist churches of to-day, both in the pulpit and pew, will stand with tear-dimmed eyes, anxious to go or give as God prospers them that others may go. The blaze of missionary enthusiasm that is now sweeping our country is bound to inundate Negro Baptist churches as well as others. Both secular and religious papers are teeming with inspiring and unlifting news (missionary) week after week, and our men must be blind, deaf, dumb or dead to shut out this great blaze which is now being fanned into a conflagration by the spirit of All Truth sent into this world to bring "All things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have commanded you."

We ask that all schools, churches and societies that have given nothing to missions report to us, by all means, at the earliest date possible.

Yours in His name,
L. G. JORDAN.

WEST BADEN, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The dedication of the "First Baptist Church" of West Baden, by Rev. C. H. Parrish, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., was attended by a large and enthusiastic asemblage. The program for the entire day and evening was well rendered and as well received. The morning sermon was preached by Rev. C. W. Sims, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, French Lick. The afternoon and evening sermons were preached by Rev. Parrish. The afternoon attendance was the largest of the day. Rev. W. A. Todd (white), pastor Missionary Baptist Church, West Baden-French Lick, rendered a prayer which was quite touching. He was followed by Rev. Lester Jones (white), pastor West Baden M. E. Church, with Scripture reading. Rev. L. D. Moore (white), pastor French Lick M. E. Church, made a few remarks on the history and progress of the church, which had a marked effect on all present. There were also remarks by Mr. Clarence Stockdale. The music and solos rendered by Miss Gertrude Payne and Mrs. Clarence Thurman were well received and marked a high talent. At the night service Mr. Jos. Rice and Mr. Jno. P. Cook made a few remarks in regard to West Baden and French Lick waiters, which was interesting. Mr. I. J. Jones rendered a solo, "Face to Face," which ended the day in triumph. The contribution for the day was $160, which payed the remaining debt...Mrs. Ella Scott, who has been confined to her bed, is convalescent...Mrs. Minerva Montgomery, of Anderson, Ind., is visiting her brother, Mr. Fern Morgan, at the residence of Miss Lulu Burks.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Allice Green, of Chicago, is the guest of Mrs. Green Robinson...A. Jordan has opened a barber shop at 711 W. Federal street...Mr. H. Mead, of Indianapolis, Ind., is the guest of T. Pullman...Mr. John Holmes, Sr., and Mrs. Paris Hall are seriously ill at this writing...Mrs. Irene Rinehart, of Franklin, Pa., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Smith...Mrs. Horace Martin left for a visit to Charlestown, Ind....The dancing party given by the Royal Musical Club was well attended Thursday evening... Paris Hall, Rhodie Homes, Mrs. Will Jones, Mrs. Ganis Williams, Mrs. James Folks, Mrs. Charles Stewart, Mrs. Hawkins, Mrs. Richard Burton, Mrs. Dodd are improving...The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George Jefferson died Thursday afternoon at the residence on Burke street from pneumonia...Mrs. George Rideout entertained at breakfast Easter Sunday in honor of Mrs. Lowell Baker's guests, Miss Eliza and Charlie Perkins, of Wilberforce, Ohio. Covers were laid for the following ladies: Mesdames T. H. Lonesome, Thos. Green, Jos. Hill, Frank Hall, Chas. Reeves, Wm. Honesty, J. H. Ragland, Miss Jessie Smith, Violet Robinson, Miss Eliza and Charlie Perkins and Mrs. Rideout...The members and pastor of the Mahoning avenue Baptist church will give an entertainment in the form of a lecture for the benefit of the church Wednesday evening, May 12. Rev. P. J. Blackburn, ex-pastor of the Oak Hill Avenue A. M. E. Church, has been secured for the occasion and his lecture promises to be of an interesting and educational nature...The members of the Young Men's Progressive Club will give a musical and literary entertainment in the town hall Tuesday evening, May 18, for the benefit of the club. An interesting program has ben prepared for the occasion and every effort wil be put forth to make the affair a grand success in every phase....The opening of the Chestnut street pool room by David Branicks Wednesday afternoon was well attended and proved to be a grand success in every phase. Music was furnished for the occassion by the Imperial Orchestra and the Clover Leaf Quartet rendered a number of selections which were highly appreciated by all present...A number of ladies of this city entertained in honor of Miss Eliza Perkins and Miss Charlie Perkins, of Wilberforce, O., who are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Baker, of Burke street, in the Elks' rest Thursday evening. The affair was largely attended and games, music and dancing were the leading features of the evening. At a late hour refreshments were served. Those present were William Saunders, Mrs. S. C. West, Mr. and Mrs. Bradshaw, Mr. Mitchell, Mrs. Estella Simpson, W. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Stanup, Mrs. Holliday, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hill, Mrs. Samuel Boggens, Mrs. L. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Docket, Mrs. Charles Reeves, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hill, Mrs. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. William Honesty, Mrs. McFarland, Mr. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. George Rideout, Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. James Saunders, Mrs. Swan, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Johnson, W. Tabler, Mrs. Bias, A. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Berry, Miss M. Clark, Miss Thelma Richardson, Oscar Boggess, H. Simmons, Mrs. T. H. Lonesome, Mr. Baker Prof. C. W. Harris, John Evans, Mr. Murry and M. Lovell...The members of the Oak Hill Avenue Sewing Circle met at the residence of Mrs. William Collins, Mt. Pleasant street, Thursday afternoon in regular session. The meeting was largely attended and business of importance was transacted after which lunch was served. The next meeting wil be held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Swinton, Edwards street, Thursday afternoon, May 6...The Buckeye Lodge No. 73, I. B. P. O. E. of W., will open their new club parlors Wednesday evening at their new home, 269 1-2 West Federal street.

TROY, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

St. Paul A. M. E. Sunday-school held their Easter exercises Sunday night. Promptly at 8 o'clock Superintendent Smith Mahorn took charge of the program, which was as follows: Song, "Over the Ocean Wave;" Scripture reading by Rev. A. D. W. Mitchell; prayer by Rev. Craskey; welcome address by Joe High, Jr., and Sonie Pinknie; solo, Miss Creola Motley; recitations by Misses Nellie and Bessie Grubbs, Lizzie Love, Carrie Jones, Louise Grady, Bessie Goodson, Ole Harris, Ophelia Roberson, Emily Gilford, Masters Tommy Lewis Mitchell, Fred Bray, Harvey Jackson; after which L. W. Shields, P. W. Mitchell and W. L. Kindrick spoke some encouraging remarks to the school. Excellent Easter music was furnished by the church choir, Mrs. W. J. Simmons organist; $26.35 was raised for Easter.... Easter exercises at the First Baptist Church Sunday night were excellent. Mrs. Charles Mills and Mrs. Pierson rehearsed the children. Each pupil played its part perfectly, and a beautiful play was rendered of the resurrection of Christ. After the program was carried out a prize was awarded to the pupil who raised the largest amount on Easter cards. Little Bertha May Mercer was the recipient of this most beautiful prize, which was a lovely morocco-back Bible. Quite a nice collection was raised in this exercise for the benefit of the Baptist Sunday-school, of which G. W. Watson is and has for a long time ben the faithful superintendent....The Easter exercises at the Methodist Episcopal Church (colored) were as follows: Song by the choir; song by the school, "Welcome Happy Morning;" welcome address by James Hobdy; song by the school, "Easter Morning;" prayer by Rev. J. L. Leonard; song by the school; recitation by Ruth N. Burd; recitation by Julius Cook; solo by Miss Lillie Byrd, "Nature's Easter;" recitation by Carrie Squair; recitation by A. C. Byrd; recitation by Marion Squair; song by the school, "Exultation;" exercise by three girls, Doll Leonard, Helen Sanders and Jurusha Cook; song by the school, "The Cross and Easter;" paper by Miss Johnnies Byrd, subject, "He Is Risen;" recitation by Miss Addie B. Cook; song, "The Victory of Easter;" recitation by Miss Semonilia Paul; responsive reading by the school; song, "He Liveth in Glary;" exercise by three girls, Seminolia Paul, Addie B. Cook and Willie Lee Lawrence; song by the school, "He Lives;" a talk by Rev. Yarnell, subject, "Resurrection."

GREENVILLE, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Little Cecil Hasken was very sick last week....Mrs. Lillian Willis was very sick last week. Her mother, Mrs. Lucy Hunter, of Dallas, was with her during her illness....Will Winston's house and contents were destroyed Sunday night while the family was at church. The fire was caused by a defective flue....Rev. Spell is again at his charge as pastor of the Church of God at College Hill, after an absence of two weeks at Waco....Mrs. R. Z. Wells returned to the city last Thursday on business....Lewis Turner is again seen on the streets of the city, after an absence of three months at Sedalia, Mo., at the Katy Hospital....Rev. Love has added another room to his home....C. C. Lawson will soon be able to return home again....Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Potter and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Jeffrey are happy over the arrival of fine boys....Jesse Evans has moved to South King street.... Mr. and Mrs. Willie Williams were baptized Sunday by Rev. Billbrew, and became members of his church....District superintendents of the M. E. Church held quarterly conference Sunday with W. J. King, pastor.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Court Zennindore Commandery Knights Templar No. 5 celebrated their anniversary at Wiley Memorial M. E. Church April 11, at 2:30 p. m....Rev. E. M. Arggle, B. D., is one of the leading devines, an eloquent preacher and is energetic in the official department of the conference, A. M. E. Z. connection, and held the honorable position as P. E. Atehens, Tenn., district for some time. But recently he has been appointed the pastorate in the city Tompkins A. M. E. Z. Church, which is a splendid charge. He preached his introductory sermon Easter Sunday, which was an able one, to a large and appreciative audience and was greeted with a most cordial welcome by the entire officials and membership of the church. The choir chanted some choice selections.

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CHAPTER XIII.

FORTH to the land of dead things, through cities that are forgotten, fared Dick Lane. Tricked by his friend, with the woman he loved lost to him, he wandered onward.

Automatically he took up again his quest for buried treasure. That which in the flush of youthful enthusiasm and roseate prospects of life and love had seized him as a passion was now a settled habit, and fortunately so, for it kept him from going mad. He had no thought of gain, only the achievement of a fixed purpose, a monomania.

With this impulse was conjoined a more volitional motive—he wished to revenge himself upon the Apaches and chiefly upon the renegade McKee, whom he supposed still to be with them. Somehow he blamed him rather than Jack Payson as being the chief cause of his miseries. "If he had not stolen the buried gold I would have returned in time," he muttered. "He is at the bottom of all this. As I walked away from Jack in the garden I felt as if it was McKee that was following me with his black, snaky eyes."

Accordingly Dick directed his way to a region reputed to be both rich in buried treasure and infested by hostile Indians. He wandered westward to Tularosa, then down to Fort Grant and toward the lava beds of southwestern Arizona. In all that arid land there was nothing so withered as his soul.

Jack, well mounted, with a pack mule carrying supplies, had picked up Dick's trail after it left Tularosa from a scout out of Fort Grant.

Slim Hoover headed for Fort Grant in his search for Jack. Although the ranchman had only a brief start of him, Slim lost the track at the river ford. Knowing Dick had gone into the desert, Jack headed eastward, while Slim, supposing that Jack was breaking for the border to escape into a foreign country, turned southward.

From the scout who had met Jack and Dick the sheriff learned that the two men were headed for the lava beds, which were occupied by hostile Apaches.

Detachments of the Third cavalry were stationed at the fort, with Colonel Hardie in command of the famous F troop, a band of Indian fighters never equaled.

In turn they chased Cochise, Victoria and Geronimo with their Apache warriors up and down and across the Rio Grande. Hard pressed, each chieftain in turn would flee with his band first to the lava beds and then across the border into Mexico, where the United States soldiers could not follow. Hardie fooled Victoria, however. Texas rangers had met the Apache chief in an engagement on the banks of the Rio Grande. Only eight Americans returned from the encounter. Hardie took up his pursuit and followed Victoria across the river. The Indians had relaxed their vigilance, not expecting pursuit and despising the Mexican rurales. Troop F caught them off guard in the mountains. The fight was one to extermination. Victoria and his entire band were slain.

This was the troop which was awaiting orders to go after the Apaches.

Colonel Hardie told Slim that the Indians were bound to head for the lava beds. If the men for whom he was looking were in the desert the troop would find them more quickly than Slim and his posse.

Slim waited at Fort Grant for orders, writing back to Sagebrush telling him of his plans.

Fort Grant followed the usual plan of all frontier posts. A row of officers' houses faced the parade grounds. Directly opposite were the cavalry barracks fort. On one side of the quadrangle were the stables, and the fourth line consisted of the quartermaster's buildings and the post trader's store. Small ranchmen had gathered near the fort for protection and because of the desire of the white man for company. In days of peace garrison life was monotonous. But the Apaches needed constant watching.

As a soldier the Apache was cruel and cowardly. He fought dismounted, never making an attack unless at his own advantage. As infantryman he was unequaled. Veteran army officers adopted the Apache tactics and installed in the army the plan of mounted infantry, soldiers who move on horseback, but fight on foot, detailing one man of every four to guard the horses.

Mounted on wiry ponies inured to hardships, to picking up a living on the scanty herbage of the plains, riding without saddles and carrying no equipment, the Indians had little trouble in avoiding the soldiers. Leaving the reservation, the Apaches would commit some outrage and then, swinging on the arc of a great circle, would be back to camp and settled long before the soldiers could overtake them. Hampered by orders from the war department, which in turn was molested by the sentimental friends of the Indians, the soldiers never succeeded in taming the Apache until Crook cut off communications and thrashed them so thoroughly in these same lava beds that they never recovered.

In Slim's absence Buck McKee and his gang had taken possession of Pinal county. Rustlers and bad men were coming in from Texas and the strip. Slim's election for another term was by no means certain. He did not know this, but if he had it would not have made any difference to him. He was after Jack and at any cost would bring him back to face trial. The rogues of Pinal county seized upon the flight of Jack as a good excuse to down Slim. The sheriff was more eager to find Jack and learn from him that Buck's charge was false than to take him prisoner. He knew the accusation would not stand full investigation.

Slowly the hours passed until the order for "boots and saddles" was sounded and the troops trotted out of the fort gate. Scouts soon picked up their trail, but that was different from finding the Indians. Ofttimes the troopers would ride into a hastily abandoned camp with the ashes still warm, but never a sight of a warrior could be had. Over broad mesas, down narrow mountain trails and up canyons so deep that the sun never fully penetrated them the soldiers followed the renegades.

For a day the trail was lost. Then it was picked up by the print of a pony's hoof beside a water hole. But always the line of flight led toward an Apache spring in the lava beds.

Slim and his posse took their commands from the officers of the pursuers. The cowpunchers gave them much assistance as scouts, knowing the country through which the Indians fled. Keeping in touch with the main command, they rode ahead to protect it from any surprise. The chief Indian scout got so far ahead at one time in the chase that he was not seen for two days. Once, by lying flat on his belly, shading his eyes with his hands and gazing intently at a mountain side so far ahead that the soldiers could scarcely discern it, he declared he had seen the fugitives climb the trail. The feat seemed impossible until the second morning after, when the scout pointed out to the colonel the pony tracks up the mountain side. The Apache scouts kept track of the soldiers' movements, communicating with the main body with blanket signals and smoke columns.

Blanket signals.

The sign language of the Indians of the southwest is an interesting field of study. On the occasion of a raid like the one described the warriors who were to participate would gather at one point and construct a mound with as many stones in it as there were warriors. Then they would scatter into small bands. When any band returned to the mound after losing a fight and the others were not there the leader would take from the mound as many stones as he had lost warriors. Thus the other bands, on returning, could tell just how many men had fallen.

In the arid regions of the west water signs are quite frequent. They usually consist of a grouping of stones, with a longer triangular stone in the center, its apex pointing in the direction where the water is to be found. In some cases the water is so far from the trail that four or five of these signs must be followed up before the water is found.

Only the Indian and the mule can smell water. This accomplishment enabled the fleeing Apaches to take every advantage of the pursuing troopers, who must travel from spring to spring along known trails.

In the long, weary chase men and horses began to fall rapidly. Short rations quickly became slow starvation fare. Hardie fed his men and horses on mesquite bean, a plant heretofore considered poisonous. For water he was forced to depend upon the cactus, draining the fluid secreted at the heart of the plant.

With faces blistered by the sun and caked with alkali, blue shirts faded to a purple tinge and trousers and accou-

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terments covered with a gray, powdery dust, the soldiers rode on silently and determinedly. Hour after hour the troop flung itself across the plains and into the heart of the lava beds, each day cutting down the Apache lead.

CHAPTER XIV.

FALSE dawn in the lava beds of Arizona. The first faint tinge on the eastern horizon fades, and the stars shine the more brilliantly in the brief, darkest hour before the true daybreak. An icy wind sweeps down canyons and over mesas, stinging the marrow of the wayfarer's bones. In the heavens the innumerable stars burn steadily in crystal coldness. Shadows lie in stygian blackness at foot of rock and valley. Soft and clear the lights of night swathe the uplands. An awesome silence hangs over the desert. Hushed and humbled by the immensity of space, one expects to hear the rush of worlds through the universe. At times the bosom swells with a wild desire to sing and shout in the glory of pure living.

The day comes quickly. The sun, leaping over the edge of the world, floods mesa and canyon, burning, withering, sparing no living thing, lavishing reds and purples, blues and violets, upon canyon walls and wind sculptured rocks. But a remorseful glare, blinding, sight destroying, is thrown back from the sand and alkali of the desert. Shriveled sagebrush and shrunken cactus bravely fight for life.

A narrow pathway leads from the mesa down the canyon's wall, twisting and doubling on itself to Apache spring. The trail then moves southward between towering cliffs, a lane through which is caught a far distant glimpse of the mountains. Little whirlwinds of dust spring up ever and anon, twirling wildly across the sandy wastes. The air suffocates like the breath of a furnace. Ever the pitiless sun searches and scorches, as conscience sears and stings a stricken soul.

Down the narrow trail, past the spring, ride in single file the Apaches slowly on tired horses, for the pursuing soldiers have given them no halting space. Naked save for a breechclout, with a narrow red band of dyed buckskin about his forehead, in which sticks a feather, each rides silent, grim, cruel, a hideous human reptile, as native to the desert as is the Gila monster. The horse is saddleless. For a bridle the warrior uses a piece of grass rope twisted about the pony's lower jaw. His legs droop laxly by the horse's sides. In his right hand he grasps his rifle, resting the butt on the knee. The only sound to break the stillness of the day is the rattle of stones slipping and sliding down the pathway when loosened by the hoofs of the ponies.

Creeping down the canyon wall, they cross the bottom, pass the spring and disappear at a turn in the canyon walls. Nature and Indian meet and merge in a world of torture and despair.

Dick had fared badly in the lava beds. One spring after the other he found dry. His horse fell from exhaustion and thirst. He ended the sufferings of his pack mule with a revolver bullet.

Dick staggered on afoot across the desert, hoping to find water at Apache spring. His blue shirt was torn and faded to a dingy purple. Hat and shoulders were gray with alkali dust. Contact with the rocks and cactus had rent trousers and leggings. His shoes, cut by sharply pointed stones and with thread rotted by the dust of the deserts, were worn to shreds. Unshaven and unshorn, with sunken cheeks and eyes bright with the delirium of thirst, he dragged his weary way across the desert. He reached Apache spring shortly after the passage of the Indians, but his craving for water was so great that he did not observe their trail.

Reeling toward the spring, he cast aside his hat and flung down his rifle in his eagerness to drink. Throwing himself on his face before the hollow in the rock from which the water trickled, he first saw that the waters had dried up. With his bony fingers he dug into the dry sand, crying aloud in despair. Stiffly he arose and blundered blindly to a rock, upon which he sank in his weakness.

"Another day like this and I'll give up the fight," he moaned. "Apache spring dry, the first time in years; Little Squaw spring nothing but dust and alkali. It is twenty miles to Clearwater spring—twenty—miles—if I can make it."

Dick trembled with weakness. His swollen tongue clove to the roof of his mouth. His lips were cracked and blackened. Bits of foam flickered about the corners of his mouth. The glare blinded his eyes, which were half closed. At times fever waves swept over him; again he shuddered with cold.

Sounds of falling waters filled his ears. The sighing of the wind through the canyon walls suggested the trickling of fountains. Rivers flowed before his eyes through green meadows only to fade into the desert as he gazed.

"What a land—what a land! It is the abode of the god of thirst! He tempts men into his valley with the lure of gold and saps the lifeblood from their bodies drop by drop. Drop by drop I hear it falling. "No—it is water I hear! There it is! How cool it looks!"

Dick rose and staggered toward the cliff. In his delirium of thirst he saw streams of water gush down the mountain side. Holding out his arms, he cried, "Saved, saved!"

His hands fell limply by his sides as the illusion faded. He then doubled them into fists and shook them at the cliff in a last defiance of despair. "You shan't drive me mad!"

He seized his empty canteen, pressing it to his lips.

"No; I drained that two days ago, or was it three?" he whispered in panic as he threw it aside.

Picking up his gun, he falteringly attempted the ascent. "I won't give up—I won't!" he shouted huskily. "I've fought the desert before and conquered. I'll conquer again—I'll"—

His will power ebbed with his failing strength. Blindness fell upon him. Oblivion swept over him. He sank, dying of thirst, in the sands of the desert.

As the buzzards find the dead, so an Apache crept upon Dick as he lay prostrate. But as the Indian aimed he heard footsteps from a draw. He saw a man approaching the spring. Silently he fled behind the rocks.

It was Jack. He had entered the lava beds from the east, closely following the man for whom he had searched for so many weary months. Others of the Apaches had marked him already. Knowing he would go to the spring, they waited warily to learn if he were alone. The band had scattered to surround him at the water hole.

Jack's horse and burro, which he had left at the head of the canyon, were already in the Indians' possession. With him he carried his rifle and a revolver. A canteen of water was slung over his shoulder. The desert had placed its stamp upon him, turning his clothes gray. The tan of his face was deepened. Lines about his eyes and mouth showed how much he had suffered physically and mentally in his search for the man he believed was his successful rival in love. Reaching the spring, he looked about cautiously before he laid down his

"I won't give up—I won't!"

rifle. He tugged at the butt of his revolver to make certain that it could be pulled quickly from the holster. Taking off his hat, he knelt to drink. He smiled and confidently tapped his canteen when he found the spring dry. He was raising his canteen to his lips when he spied Dick's body.

Jumping behind a rock, he pulled his revolver, covering the insensible man. It might be a trap. He scanned the trail, the cliff, the canyon. Hearing and seeing nothing, he slipped his revolver into his holster and hurried to Dick's side. At first he did not recognize him. The desert and thirst had wrought many changes in his friend's face.

When recognition came he threw his arms about the prostrate form, crying, "Dick, at last, at last!"

His voice was broken with emotion. The search had been so long, so weary and the ending so sudden! He had found Dick, but it looked as if he came too late.

Gathering Dick up in his arms, he raised him until his head rested on his knees. Forcing open his mouth, he poured a little water down his throat.

Then with a moistened handkerchief he wetted temples and wrists. Slowly Dick struggled back to life.

"Water—water—it's water!" he gasped, struggling for more of the precious fluid.

"Easy," cautioned Jack. "Only a little now—more when you're stronger."

"Who is it?" cried Dick. Not waiting for Jack to enlighten him, he continued: "No matter—you came in time. I couldn't have held out any longer. All the springs are dry. I figured on reaching Clearwater."

Jack helped Dick to his feet. Taking his stricken friend's right arm, he

He poured a little water down his throat.

drew it across his shoulders. With his left arm about his waist, Jack led him to a seat upon a convenient rock.

(Continued Next Week.)

NORD ALEXIS, EX-PRESIDENT OF HAYTI, WILL VISIT AMERICA.

It is given out that Nord Alexis, ex-President of Hayti, will visit America this coming summer. In event he comes, Indianapolis will be visited, among other of the larger cities. He has expressed a desire to visit The Freeman office, it is understood, since he has heard very much of our publication.

So distinguished a Negro foreigner has not visited this country in years, if ever before, but doubtless the Negroes everywhere he may visit will show him the courtesies due owing to what he has been by way of office and owing to what he is by way of ability and fame as a soldier and a statesman. In speaking of the probability of his visit, we said last week:

"We take pleasure in making the announcement, relying on our friend, Mr. Turner, for the correctness of the information. We are satisfied Indianapolis will show the venerable Negro ex-President every courtesy due a distinguished man. In this the citizens will doubtless feel that he has lost nothing but office. That quality, those qualities that made him, are yet his; he has suffered at the hands of a capricious people, who may have a similar fate reserved for the new President, if there is anything in custom or precedent.

"If he comes to Indianapolis, the citizens will admire him for what he has been—the President of the greatest Negro government, the land of L'Overture, where, amid the years of sloth, some sign of acknowledgment of civilization is, and where, if the sign is read aright, will be heard the hum, felt the thrill and the stir of industry reverberating through the land, making for a nation equalness to its potentiality. When he comes, may the Negro citizens honor the blackest man in the world as if he were the whitest man in the world, if he has done no more than attempt to defend his own."

THE TAKING OF THE NEXT DECENNIAL CENSUS.

Politics will not cut any figure in the selection of persons to direct and supervise the taking of the next decennial census.

The President has foreseen what trouble politics might cause the administration if allowed to enter this.

Politics will not cut any figure in instructions to S. N. D. North, director of the census, urging him that in the selection of supervisors in the South politics must not be considered.

There will be one supervisor in each congressional district, and in districts where there are cities of any size there will be an additional supervisor.

The action of the President is said to be due to conferences he has held with politicians from various sections of the country. There has gradually grown a belief that the selections would be made according to party affiliations and party standing, and the President believes this would be one of the worst steps that could be taken by the administration. Therefore he has asked Mr. North to rely upon the personal fitness of each applicant, and not under any circumstances to be guided by the political belief of the individual.

All the supervisors will be appointed on the endorsement of Senators, it is thought, as the Senate has added a provision to the census bill requiring them to be approved by the Senate the same as presidential appointments.—The Washington Herald.

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The weather refuses to be petted—just taking its time.

Ex-President Roosevelt has at last reached the scene of his heart's delight.

Why not cultivate a fad? It makes for content, intelligence and the proper kind of independence.

Since Charles Banks and his Mississippi associates called on President Taft there seems to be little easier feeling, politically.

The shoe men are off to Washington to see that leather is kept within hailing distance, so that shoes can be had at fair prices. Good luck to 'em.

The waiters in a certain hotel in New York City have their finger nails manicured daily by a professional. It appears rather frequent—every day. Might give 'em a chance to make a fresh start.

A junto of prominent Indianapolis politicians has been to Washington to see Senator Beveridge. Something interesting may follow, although they give out that politics was not discussed.

It is said that a hen lays from three hundred to five hundred eggs in her life time. If she would contrive to lay them in the winter, long about Christmas she would be worth her weight in gold.

The slaves, in 1790, are estimated to have been worth $105,000,000, of which the South had $98,000,000; New England (where it was not profitable to keep them), $565,000, and the Middle States the rest.

Fare from Cheehaw, Ala., to Tuskegee has been reduced from fifty to forty cents. The road is five miles long. A first class coach was as usual. The Alabama R. R. Commission ordered the reforms.

The liquor war wages merrily on. The "drys" have been having things pretty much their own way. Marion County will soon be the scene of a fiercely contested battle, when there will be activity that is.

A New York judge has decided that where a man's salary is but $6 he does not have to pay alimony. It didn't require an opinion of the learned judge to establish the fact. Even the law can't compel an impossibility.

The Liberian Commission is going a-begging for want of members. Ex-President Roosevelt offered his services long ago. It may be that President Taft will have to grant him a "letter of patent" commissioning him to act while he is in Africa.

Otis B. Duncan, of Springfield, was elected Major of the Second Battalion of the Eighth Illinois by acclamation. Good for Duncan. We aren't on to just how much the position means, but he is deserving of anything that's to be given out.

Mayor Bookwalter will be remembered for his large bump of civic pride. As Mayor he wants to see his city second to none. He's got the right feeling and should be given credit for it even if his notions mean money. Nothing good comes without cost.

With Ex-Vice-President Fairbanks in Hawaii and Ex-President Roosevelt in Africa the colored race should take courage. The land of eternal sunshine and the land of the biggest game are not without distinction even if they cannot boast of anything more.

It is said that the Negroes are increasing more rapidly in America than the white people, although unaided by emigration. The fact is of that other fact that the poor people have more children than the rich. Ninety-nine per cent. of the Negroes are poor, it is plain.

The colored Elks did not come off so welll in New Jersey as they did in Massachusetts. The House of Representatives has passed a bill having for its object the prohibiting of colored men from using the name or wearing the emblem of the Benevolent Order of Elks.

R. R. Wright, Jr., formerly engaged in statistical work along sociological lines as they pertain to the Negroes, has accepted the managership of the Christian Recorder. The publication has secured a very valuable man. Already he has begun a unique campaign for building up the subscription list. He has his years before him, consequently the future should speak well for him. Nearly all of the papers are indebted to him for the valuable information he gave out from time to time. We hope him success.

If the Filipino band don't watch out it will have to walk home, if possible. Of the $5,000 expected from the Inaugural Committee, it is said only $660 has been paid. There seems to be a misunderstanding, which, it is thought, will be straightened out by the time the band is ready to sail next September.

Mrs. Hiram Moore of Tacoma, Washington, is said to be an artist of merit, doing work in water colors, china and oil. She will send an exhibit to the A. Y. P. Exposition. The following is said of her:

"Mrs Moore has lived in Tacoma for a number of years and during which time has been and is now both student and teacher. She has studied under the best teachers on the Pacific coast, most of whom have finished courses abroad."

"The Liberian Commission people are a 'swell' crowd. We see visions of gold lace, glittering swords, silk hats and swallow-tail coats galore! The Black Republic can not fail to sit up and take notice."—From Thompson's Short Flights.

Yes, but Liberia is not so much in need of awing by fine trappings as it is in need of a good, substantial boost. However, it is reasonable to think that the little republic won't mind the awing if it is assured of the other.

The trouble is that if certain kinds of business are advocated it seems to be taken for granted that the whole race is expected to get in it. Thus, if a laundry is urged, it is hooted down often, insisting that it's "washin' an' inin" when the town is filled with wagons which colored men can not even get a job of driving, soliciting this same "washin' an' inin." If one-third of the colored people's business sent to laundries operated by white people was done in colored laundries not less than twenty to thirty girls and women would be employed.

It is being said that high prices for food are due to the fact that a sufficient quantity is not being raised. Men are engaging in other pursuits, thus making a shortage of farmers. Colored men should take note; truck gardening is a light and highly profitable business. Some thirty thousand Negroes are in this city, most of whom are fed by food raised by white men. All should not be truck gardeners, or farmers, or dairymen, or poultrymen, or cattlemen, or fruitmen. A few, however, should be engaged in all of these callings. Marion County has no colored man engaged in dairying. A few own a cow or so, and attempt to sell the butter from the one cow or sell the butter from the one cow or so when it could not be consumed in the family. A half dozen cows is a modest suggestion. Good butter is at a premium. Good country butter is engaged by the wealthy people the year round. The poor people must eat "oleo" or creamery at thirty and forty cents. Eggs are as current as postage stamps and street-car tickets. You can't lose on a good hen.

Most people who know of the famous Goebel assassination are pleased to know that in the matter of prosecution, and we may say persecution, the matter is a closed incident. The latest happening in the long series is the pardoning of Taylor and Finley, Governor and Secretary of State, respectively, of Kentucky, who were charged with conspiracy in the murder of Governor Goebel. Being a matter resulting from politics, it was peculiarly bitter and malignant. One-half of the state was arrayed against the other half, and men accused were not safe. Taylor and Finley fled to Indiana, where they have since resided under the protection of Republican Governors, who, knowing the nature of the quarrel, refused to turn the men over to Kentucky authorities. Time has greatly softened conditions, together with the repeated and unsuccessful trials of other men on the same charge. Finally, Governor Willson of Kentucky, taking advantage of his prerogative as chief executive of the state, has made it possible for the two men to return to their homes without fear of molestation.

Hurrah for Taylor and Finley.

THE PHILIPPINE CONSTABULARY BAND IN STRAIGHTENED CIRCUMSTANCES.

Speaking of the Philippine Constabulary Band, it might be cited, however, that "All is not gold that glitters," and that while Captain Loverting and his musicians have been delighting the hearts of those fortunate enough to hear their music, the financial end of the enterprise of bringing this band to Washington during inaugural week has been trying to find the right string to pull which will compensate it for the trip here. Apparently some government red tape has gotten mixed up with Uncle Sam's purse strings and the inadvertent pulling of the former has resulted in producing but $660 of the $5,000 promised by the Inaugural Committee, with the result that much inconvenience has been caused thereby. The fact of this shortage in the financial department of this endeavor may be better appreciated when it is understood that the expense incident to the carrying of this band overland to Washington, owing to the enforcement of the interstate commerce law, which precluded reduced rate transportation. The band is to return to the Philippines by next September and it is sincerely hoped that long before that time shall have arrived the depleted treasury of this organization will have been attended to.—The Advocate, Charleston, W. Va.

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LINES ON THE DEATH OF PROF. W. H. COUNCIL.

By Dr. M. A. Majors, Chicago, Ill.

The scourge of Fate has with his blade
Cut down an oak whose blessed shade
Sustained, refreshed a growing race,
And left a gapping vacant place.

"The blast has struck another oak,"
The parson said as thus he spoke,
And took away a giant force—
A man of such a great resource.

How much we suffer at such loss!
How hard to bear up such a cross!
And yet the work undertaken was done,
And heaven's crown has been well won.

When Council died 'twas such a hum
In heaven, saying "Council's come."
And Douglass, Langston and Dunbar
Announced the coming of the star.

With good intent and whole-souled bent,
Up the rugged hill he went:
Nor spent his noble life in vain,
To prove what Negroes can attain.

He did not choose the lighter work,
Nor from his duty did he shirk;
He strove, and strode for nobler things,
And led in that makes poor men kings.

He faltered not to speak right out,
At no time leaving room for doubt;
His earnest heart full in the fray,
Could lead his race no other way.

He ran life's chords and played a tune,
And closed the organ all too soon;
He might have touched some other keys,
He might have reached other high degrees.

His monument is built in stone;
His name is ever sweet in tone.
His purpose planted in men's hearts;
His epitaph the world's best charts.

He is not dead—he cannot die;
The sight of what he did, is why.
And yet, although we moan to-day,
Council has not gone away.

CHAMPION JACK JOHNSON.

New York Reception Given by the Colored Sports.

By Juli Jones.

The reception tendered Jack Johnson by the New York colored sports was the greatest thing that ever happened; brass bands, automobiles, speaking, big halls, cake-walks. Well, Mr. Johnson did not receive any such time in Chicago. These same New York colored sports have on their hands the biggest disgrace of any living set of people in this world. Only a few days ago the same daily papers that spoke of how the colored people appreciated the Negro world's heavyweight champion told to the world how the first black man that ever held a championship died in the Bellview Hospital without a home or friend in this same New York where colored sports went wild over Johnson.

The man that died friendless was George Dixon, once the champion of champions of the whole world, the man that put the Negro on the fighting map, the man that made the lovers of the sport take notice to little men. One great writer of the game coupled Dixon's name with John L. Sullivan, Jack Demsey, Jack McAuliffe as the men that put the game where it is today by fighting honestly. Could these gallant sports overlook all of these good things this little Negro has done? Did they forget him so soon? Some sports who haven't a good word for anyone say that he spent his money among the white men, which is only partly true. Dixon spent his money freely among all races, but made off the white people. Prize fighting that amounts to anything is solely supported by the white man. He makes the Negro champion and pays him for his work.

If Jack Johnson or any other Negro champion had depended upon the Negro to support or make them champions, he would never have gotten out of the state of Texas. Why should anyone question him how and where he spends his money? From the best of authority the fighting game grew popular through the merits of the Negro and the Irishman. The Irish take care of their champions, supports them while they are living and bury them when they are dead. They never stop singing the praise of John Morrisey, Bill Pool, Paddy Ryan, Jack Demsey, Jack McAuliffe, Peter Maher and John L. Sullivan. Does the Negro ever mention the name of George Godfrey, Black Pearl, Wiley Evans, Bobby Dobbs, Frank Craig. Perhaps they have a slight remembrance of Joe Wolcott, Joe Gans, Peter Jackson; have forgotten Jack Blackburn.

The face value of the New York sports is counterfeit and id not mean one-half of what they did for Jack Johnson, and really did Johnson more harm than good. Jack Johnson is the champion of all men and should be respected the same by all races. Had the colored people of Chicago seen fit to give him a big welcome the affair would have ben managed differently. He would have ben met at the depot by one of our two bands, the Eighth Regiment or the Elks Band; a platoon of colored police, a colored sergeant, escorted to one of their own theaters or hall, and allowed to speak without interruption. The colored people would not have allowed Dixon to go so near the Potter's field. Let the colored sports in New York weigh the Jack Johnson affair on equal scales with the George Dixon affair. They will find themselves a gallant regiment of four-flushers.

SHELBYVILLE, IND.

Special to The Freeman.

Rev. Jones delivered an excellent sermon last Sunday evening. Rev. Joseph Robinson, the assistant pastor, delivered the morning sermon...Mrs. James Burbin will leave the city for the lakes in a few weeks...The members of the Second Baptist Church gave their pastor a pound party Monday night...Mr. Emanuel Jackson is out on bond till June term of court. Mr. Jackson was arrested on two indictments, one for the murder of James Luther Marshall and another for intent to kill Stephen Marshall...Rev. Mrs. Jones has been on the sick list this week.

LOGANSPORT, IND.

Special to The Freeman.

Wesley Gray has recovered enough from his recent sickness to be able to go to his shop...Mrs. Henry Harriso, in Third street, has as her guest this week Mrs. Emma Kennedy and Mrs. D. A. Roach, of Chicago...The social given by the young ladies at the home of Mrs. James Carter was a grand success Thursday evening. The trustees feel very grateful to the young ladies for their good work...Mrs. Geo. Malone, in Stanley street, has as her guest this week Miss Grace Jones, of Chicago...Messrs Purce Jones and Clayborn Lewis were in the city Tuesday with Wallace's circus...Everybody attended the big rally Sunday. The meeting will be held in the court house...Mrs. Hugh Powell has gone to Newtown, Pa., for a month's stay.

FLINT, MICH.

Special to The Freeman.

Rev. J. E. Lyons, of Lansing, will assist Rev. T. W. Beck in the third quarterly meeting May 2. Rev. C. E. Allen, presiding elder, will hold quarterly conference May 5...Mrs. E. Henery and sister, Miss B. Harrison, of Ann Arbor, visited their aunt, Mrs. James Johnson, last week...Miss Pearl Grinage has returned to her home in Sarnid, Ont...The Willing Workers will give a concert May 4 to add money to the building fund of the A. M. E. Church...The Preston W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. M. A. Wright's May 7, at which time they will elect a delegate to attend the state convention at Battle Creek June 1....Messrs Sam Rowland, Steave West and Frank Bailey spent last Sunday at Detroit.

URBANA, OHIO.

Special to The Freeman.

The District Conference convened in this city on the 21st, 22d and 23d. There were quite a good many strangers in the city. ...Joseph Waugh, a former resident of Urbana, died at the home of his son Harvey in Columbus. His remains were brought here for burial...Miss Bessie Church, a highly respected young lady of Urbana, died at the home of her parents in Powel avenue April 19. In her death Urbana lost one of its most beautiful young ladies...Miss Effie Taborn is very ill at her home in South Main street...Professor Hornaday, of Springfield, Ohio, visited in Urbana during the District Conference....Miss Gertrude Dickerson, daughter of Louis Dickerson, was united in marriage to Mr. Richard Boyd, of Bellfontaine, Ohio...Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Waugh, of Hill street, a son...The Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs. Rebecca Thompson...Little Miss Fulton entertained quite a number of her young friends at her home in South Kenton street in honor of her fourth birthday. The little folks all had a capital time...Mrs. Lawson, of Cincinnati, who has been visiting at the home of Mrs. Will Andrews, of East Lawn avenue, returned to her home accompanied by Mrs. Andrews and Mrs. Bert Williams, of Urbana...Prof. Curry received the sad news of the death of his mother. Her funeral was held at Delaware April 27.

MUNCIE, IND.

Special to The Freeman.

S. A. Talbott, of Eagle Lodge No. 14, attended the anniversary sermon of the Knights of Pythias at Portland, Ind. W. R. Roberts, D. D. G. C., Representative John N. M. Adair, Rev. B. J. Coleman, of Anderson, addressed the order. The uniform rank and members of Richmond, Ind., were present. The Ladies of Calanthe Court gave the following program Wednesday evening at Mr. and Mrs. Kelley's home on East Willard street: Sam Colridge Taylor's Quartette entertained with choice songs; Miss May Stoaks, recitation; Miss Fay Lee, song. Refreshments were served...Mrs. G. W. Strong is at Jeffersonville to care for her sick mother...The A. M. E. and Baptist Churches will have Sabbath school at 9:30 Sunday morning during the summer...Rev. L. R. Mitchell has organized a business men's Bible class. ...Mrs. G. F. Samuels is attending the golden wedding anniversary of Mrs. James Ballinger at St. Louis. En route home Mrs. Samuels will visit Alton, Ill...Mrs. Oliver Hunt, of Cleveland, has returned home after a visit with Mrs. John Hunt.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. James Neal, of Louisville, Ky., are rooming with Mrs. West in Mahoning avenue...George Burk of Sharon Hill was in the city Sunday...Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson entertained a number of guests Thursday evening in honor of their daughter, Geraldine, of Pittsburg, Pa. The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Miss Nannie Health played a number of seelctions on the piano and lunch was served. Miss Johnson will be in the city during the summer. ...Dave Brannock os on the sick list... Mrs. Hattie Jefferson, of McKinney street, has the neuralgia...Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Green Robinson will spend Sunday and oMnday in Cleveland...Mrs. F. H. Simpson spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Proctor in Revena...Fred Mayfield, Mrs. H. Hawkins are ill...All the churches had special services Sunday and were well attended...Mrs. Paris Hall died Tuesday evening at the age of 73. She was a member of the Oak Hill Avenue Church and Lousie Edwards Court K. P. She leaves a husband, a daughter, three sisters, 12 grandchildren, 6 great children. The funeral was held from the church Friday, of which she was a member for over thirty-five years...Mrs. Walter Wills, of Cleveland, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Kerr...Mrs. Kittie Keene Mitchell, of Cleveland, spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Berry...Messrs. Goerge Ridout, Robert Stewart and Archie Thomas saw Champion Jack Johnson in Pittsburg last week.

BOONVILLE, IND.

There was quite a number went to Evansville to witness the ball game between the Boonville Sluggers and the Evansville Hard Hitters. It was their first game of the season, and after a hard fight Evansville succeeded in carrying off the honors...Mrs. Charles Folden, of Newburgh, was in Boonville Sunday... Rev. Graves, pastor of Little Zion Baptist Church, baptised the following persons Sunday: Misses Lovie Baxter, Landonia Helms and Msater Earnest Coleman. Quite a crowd witnessed the affair and gave splendid order...Rev. H. M. Carroll, the ex-pastor of the M. E. Church, is here from Chicago, shaking hands with friends. He will move his family Thursday to Chicago, where he has a charge...Rev. I. F. White will preach at Boonville M. E. Church Sunday at 11 and 7:30, Newburg at 3 p. m....Chesterfield Griffith is doing well in his new shop on Depot street... Manager eGo. Brown, of the Boonville Sluggers will go to Mt. Vernon with his team soon hoping to defeat the Mt. Vernon Babies...The Household of Ruth will give a grand entertainment Saturday night on Mrs. Wm. Rates' lawn. Every one invited...W. W. Loving was defeated for the first time in the literary debates by the Hon Carl Green...The entertainment under the management of the M. E. Aid was a success.

MARION, IND.

Special to The Freeman.

The annual Thanksgiving sermon of the Bince Lodge K. of P. and the two Courts of Calantha will be preached Sunday at Bethel A. M. E. Church. The K. of P. Band will escort the lodge to the church and the following program will be rendered: Song, "Blest eB the Ties," congregation; prayer, Lord's Prayer; Lodge and Court ceremonies; prayer, prelate; address on Pythianism; Scripture reading, prelate; song, "All Hail the Power," choir; lodge and court ceremonies; hymn, "Praise God," choir; paper, "Calanthianism," Mrs. Verlie Craig; Thanksgiving sermon; solo, "The Lost Chord," Mrs. Cora Spires...The Marion K. of P. Band is a very strong organization and the entertainment given by them Wednesday night at Allen Temple was excellent. Among the numbers were several difficult overatures which were well rendered. This band will accompany the state lodge to the Grand Encampment at Kansas City in September...The marriage of Miss Ina Wallace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Wallace, to Alfred Lee was solemnized Sunday morning at the residence of her parents on West Thirty-fifth street. Rev. Jackson, pastor of Allen Temple officiated. The young lady is well known and respected by all who know her and the young man is a highly respected and industrious young man. They will make Alexandria their future home...The Amanda Smith Club have elected the following delegates to the Federation that convenes in Kokomo this month: Miss Rosa Johnson, Miss Cora Spires and Mrs. Anna Cook. Alternates: Miss Alice Walker, Miss Belle Wallace and Mrs. May Patterson...Mrs. Emma Spain spent Sunday with friends in Elkhart. While there she was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Perry...Quarterly meeting at Bethel A. M. E. Church last Sunday was well attended at all services. Love Feast Sunday morning brought about a great spiritual feeling, which lasted throughout the day. Rev. Irvin, of Kokomo, preached a soul-stirring sermon at 3 o'clock and sacrament was administered. Rev. Hunter, presiding elder of the Richmond district, was present and presided. Quarterly conference was held Monday night and the report of the past quarter was very good. Rev. Pettiford deserves much credit for the work he has done since his stay in Marion. ...A new Eastern Star Chapter was organized in this city recently and was given the name of Amaranth Chapter. There was quite a large charter list and the prospects for the future are very bright. tI has good working material in the society that insures success...The Eurydice Club has elected the following delegates to the Federation at Kokomo: Mrs. D. H. Morrell, Mrs. Harry Nolan and Mrs. J. Morris. Alternates: Mrs. J. W. Burden, Mrs. A. R. Martin and Mrs. Sherman Curtis.

Sunday, May 2, the annual sermon of Bruce Lodge No. 16, K. of P., Lone Star Court No. 310 and S. W. Starks No. 29 will be delivered at Bethel A. M. E. Church. The delegation will be large, and a number of out-of-town visitors of local lodges will be present. The music for the occasion will be furnished by the K. of P. band and a select chorus. Grand Lecturer Samuel Gray, Brig. Gen. Wilkes, U. R., W. H. Porter, George P. Stewart and Sadie B. Dungey, G. W. C., will be among the number from Indianapolis.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Special to The Freeman.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Daisy Merriweather, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yancey Merriweather, Wednesday evening, April 28, to Mr. Henry Bishop, of Clinton, Ind...Baptizing at St. Peters at 11 a. m. Sunday...Mr. Herman Manning, of Dickson, Tenn., was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Lulu Manning last week...Mrs. Fannie Warfield and daughter are quite ill...The Ladies' Book Club met with Mrs. Jno. Caldwell Thursday evening, April 22. A pleasing program was rendered, after which a splendid repast was served...The Embroidery Club will meet with Mrs. Houston Metcalf Wednesday, May 12...Mrs. Loula Bell, wife of Jno. Bell, had a successful operation performed at the infirmary Monday, April 26...The public enjoyed the beautiful music rendered by Prof. Steel's band Monday evening at the K. P. Auditorium. ...Mrs. Jackson, wife of Jim Jackson, died Friday evening. Funeral from St. John Baptist Church. Rev. H. Metcalf conducted the services...Miss Julia Anderson died Monday, April 26, and was buried Thursday, April 27. Funeral from Fifth Ward Baptist Church...Freeman for sale by eGo. P. Ligon, who earnestly solicits your patronage for the best and oldest race journal now no sale. Try it. Read it carefully and you wouldn't be without it.

SHERMAN, TEX.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Wm. Mann runs a first-class tonsorial parlor on East Mulberry street en route to the Onion Depot. The Freeman on sale there...Rev. Dr. D. J. Crawford, pastor of the Harmony Baptist Church, is attending the Baptist Foreign Missionary convention in Houston, Tex...The Royal's famous orchestra will make a visit to the city of Ft. Worth, Tex., this week on a musical engagement...Mrs. Will Flournoy and little children, Jonay and Robert, of Ft. Worth, Tex., are visiting her sisters, Mmes. Samuel Potts, Della Williams and families on East Magnolia street. Will Flournoy is railway mail clerk in charge running from Ft. Worth to Amarillo, Tex., over the Denver & Ft. Worth railway... Elmer Williams, our prominent tonsorial artist, has returned from a pleasant fishing trip in the Washita mountains in the new state of Oklahoma. He reports quite an enjoyable trip...Recently a merry party of young ladies and gentlemen, headed by Mr. Willis H. Crain, enjoyed a very pleasant fishing expedition on the banks of Choctaw near Sherman in honor of his birthday.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

An excellent reception was given April 22, on Thursday night, at the home of Mrs. Henry Richards, on Allen avenue, and was largely attended, about thirty being present. The reception was in honor of Rev. Harris. Excellent music was furnished by Mrs. Ollie Brown, Mrs. Thomas Mounts and Rev. Harris and excellent refreshments were served...Mr. Edward Terry, who has been staying at the Soldiers' Home in Danville, Ill., has returned home to stay...Mr. William Ewing, of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Samuel Williams, and other friends...Mrs. Willis Blue, of W. Edgmont street, has been quite ill, but sime some better...Mrs. Annie Taylor, of N. West street, is still very ill...Mrs. Mary Clark, who has been very ill, is able to be about...Mrs. Freeman, of Chicago, Ill., is in the city visiting friends...The Friday Art Club met recently with Mrs. M. C. Clark, on S. West street...John Sallee and Myrtle Higgins, both of this city, were married recently... The dinner and supper given April 20 at the old Odd Fellows Hall by Mr. Levi pastley as captain, was largely attended and a great success...Mr. and Mrs. Joseph wheeler, of Arnold, Ill., spent Sunday in our city...The Junior League, which meets every Sunday at 2 o'clock at the Second Christian Church, is progressing nicely...The concert given by the Grand Orchestra April 20, at Mt. Emery Baptist Church, was in every way fine and a grand success. Thanks is due to Mrs. Josephine Butler for the kindness shown by her, and also for the fine music furnished by the Grand Orchestra...The supper given on April 20 at Co. L hall was largely attended...Rev. J. W. Kirk filled his appointment in Pittsfield April 18 and was accompanied by the following: Samuel Bolden, Harvey Naull, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Postley, Robert Wright, Miss Alberta O'Leary and Samuel Harris. A number of friends from Hadley were also present, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. McWorten and son, Mr. Butler, son and daughter, Mr. Walker and Miss Louise. The program consisted of recitations, music by the choir, addresses and remarks...The carnival given April 20 and 21 at the K. P. Hall by the Mallory Lodge No. 30, K. of P., was largely attended. In the voting contest Mrs. Mattie Carpenter received the largest number of votes and won the first prize, which was a gold watch. Mrs. John Dunn won the second prize, a gold brachlet...Rev. E. M. Harlis has returned home from Winchester and Chapin...Mr. John Blue and son Lawrence are still very ill...Mr. Deamer E. Carpjenter, of Minneapolis, Minn., is in the city to reside.... Mrs. John McCree is on the sick list this week.

MOBILE, ALA.

Special to The Freeman.

The Alabama Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutal Association held their thirteenth annual meeting in Selma April 14 to 17. The opening exercises were held in the Dinkins Memorial Chapel. Dr. G. H. Wilkerson's annual address was very much appreciated by the audience. The doctors of Selma were kept very busy entertaining the visiting medicos. The symposium on tuberculosis, led by Drs. A. M. Brown, John A. Kenny, Darden, Washington, Brumitt and A. M. Williams was quite helpful. There is now being made a crusade on the white plague among the scientists of which some good results are soon to be expected to check the enormous death rate among our people. A surgical clinic was conducted at Dr. L. L. Burwell's infirmary. Dr. Geo. Hall, of Chicago, Ill., operated on several cases. New officers elected: Dr. D. H. Scott, Montgomery, president; Dr. L. V. Goins, Byham, secretary. The next place of meeting will be in Birmingham, April, 1910. The meeting closed after having spent a very successful session...Bishop Caldwell was in the city last Sunday. He preached in State, Zion and Hope Chapel. The Bishop has proved to be the right man for this district, as all of the churches with their different pastors seem to be very much inspired under his leadership...Dr. Sutton Greggs, of Nashville, Tenn., was in the city. He has some very good books on the race question. He reported quite a large sale of his valuable books while in Mobile. He was impressed with the progress of Negro enterprises...Mrs. A. D. Simington's Private School gave their public exercises at Love and Charity Hall Tuesday night, April 27, for the benefit of the Boys' Reformatory...The Gulf City Drug Store has opened the soda fountain with a full line of soft drinks, ice cream, sundaes, etc. Call around, your patronage is very much desired. The Freeman can be secured, the best colored paper in circulation. Lem. Wilkerson will be pleased to get your subscription...Dr. J. W. Wood intends visiting Africa and the Holy Lands some time in 1910...The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows will have their annual sermon preached by Dr. A. N. McEwen at Zion Church the second Sunday in May...Mr. Henderson Morris, Potontate, was kept very busy with his lodges during April. The chief will leave for New Orleans, La., next week for official duties...Billy Kersands, heading Allen's Minstrels, gave to Mobile some real good entertaining. The grand old man has not lost any of his cunning. The show was good, each actor performing well... Prof. R. D. Hunt was called home on a very sad mission, having lost his mother, at his home in Huntsville, Ala...The Colored National Amusement Company will endeavor to have a park controlled by people of our race, they having leased the Negro fair grounds. Buildings will soon be finished for this grand project...Dr. E. T. Belsaw has moved in his new home. ...On Tuesday evening, March 23, a large number of Broad-street Academy graduates met to form an alumni association. Prof. W. A. Caldwell, A. M., who has been principal since the existence of the school, was present. The following officers were elected: Theodore B. Reid, president; Anderson Young, recording secretary; Robert A. Brown, corresponding secretary; George M. Vaughn, treasurer. The next meeting will be held at the Academy April 29, 1909.

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THE STAGE

P. W. Scales, of a "Trip to Coontown" company, died April 18 at Berlin, Germany.

J. H. Williams, stage manager of the Air Dome at Jacksonville, Fla., will visit his mother in Indianapolis during May.

W. H. Carter, manager, and James Douglass, baritone, of the Carolina Jubilee Singers, were in the city a few days this week.

P. G. Lowery, manager of the Lowery-Morgan aggregation with the Wallace-Hagenbeck circus was a caller at The Freeman office Thursday.

Carita Day and her dancing "picks" will take a week's rest at Chicago, beginning with May 3. This week they are meeting with their usual success at St. Louis, Mo.

The Browns, James and Mayme, of Indianapolis, have joined Terry's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" Company, this being their third season. Regards to all in the profession.

The Smalls, Nellie B. and Charles, who are members of the "Tempest and Sunshine" Company (white), were pleasant callers at THE FREEMAN two days last week.

Clifford D. Brooks, leading tenor and genteel comedian with the J. C. Rockwell's Sunny South Company, is now in his third season with this company, doing leading parts and making good singing "If I Had a Thousand Lives to Live," etc.

Mrs. E Azalia Hackley writes from London that she has been very ill for a month past. Madam Hackley is furthering her musical education abroad, but on account of her health will return to America at an early date. The dampness and heaviness of the English atmosphere is not very favorable to singing voices.

The Florida Blossoms will soon have another Florida product, Coyden Herndon, hoop roller, acrobat and tenor singer. Herndon had a tryout and made good. Only one obstacle was in the way at that time, and it has been removed. Best regards to Adela Smith, Prices, Fishers, Kennedyy and the profession.

The Edwards & Webb Colored Musical Comedy Company played to the largest house ever known to the patrons of the new Opera House at Red Granite, Wis., having over 500 paid admissions. They would like to hear from Madame Brown at once. Write care THE FREEMAN to the Edwards & Webb Colored Musical Comedy Company.

Miss Daisy Collins, formerly of Chicago, but who has resided in Cincinnati for the past ten months, will open the Gaither Palace Theater, situated at 410 West Fifth street, Cincinnati, May 1. Miss Collins has a rich soprano voice of rare quality. She is known among the best talent of the colored aggregations, having traveled with Williams & Walker, The Smart Set, and has been engaged for the coming season by Cole & Johnson.

Paul Carter and Charlie McKenzie have retired for the summer from the road, and are now in Richmond Va., and have erected a theater at Fulton Park. After the closing, September 12, they will present one of the greatest acts on the stage, to be known as "Miss Flash and Mrs. Dash" dog and cat act. The act will consist of singing, talking, acrobatic and contortionist turns, with special scenery. Best regards to all friends. Address 522 Brook avenue, Richmond, Va.

Duncan Clark Amusement Company's Royal Theater, 3206 State street, Chicago, under the management of Eddie Foy Elliott, is still drawing good crowds and putting up the best show for 5 cents along the line. The bill this week includes Klidzu, the human frog; Bonnie Clark, the impersonator; Kathryn Berry, soloist; George Harris, the star of State street, with a brand new monologue that makes everybody laugh; the Wilson Trio, three Lulu girls; new moving pictures and illustrated songs. Next week comes the Merry Minstrel Girls. These people run two shows at Riverview Exposition this summer, using the best colored talent obtainable. Regards to all friends.

NOW IN EUROPE.

Grant and Grant, Billy Maclain and Madam Cordelia, Rastus and Banks, Carlisle and Baker, Harry Brown, Billy Farrell, Charles Davis of Goggins and Davis, the Four Creole Belles, the Ten Dark Knights, "Eph" Thompson, Jennie Shepherd, Belle Davis and the Kraytons.

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"Without any doubt the greatest of them all was Madam Siseretta Jones (Black Patti). I claim that her equal has never been produced. Ask Emma Eames or Marcella Sembrich to tour the road and sing every night for forty weeks, and see how long they would last. This great artist is simply divine. She doesn't get the credit that is due her. She is not the greatest singer of her 'race,' but the greatest singer of the world. God bless her!"

LYRIC THEATER, SHREVEPORT, LA.

Ed T. Peat and company arrived in the city on the 17th and opened the new theater to a packed house, playing to standing room only, 500 people being turned away. They play two weeks engagement at each town and have with them 18 people and all hard workers. J. J. Perry, Miss Maud Perry and Garfield McGee, Miss Cuite McGee, John Ellis, of Vicksburg, Miss., and Andy Rucks, the laughing little man and the old standby are among the number. Ed F. Peat is holding his own with his wonderful singing and dancing and talking act. He would like to hear from Arthur L. Prince and Al Boyd. Regards to Tim Owley and Billie Young.

J. C. ROCKWELL'S SUNNY SOUTH.

Big houses still prevail with J. C. Rockwell's Sunny South Company. The show opens with a one-act comedy entitled "Happy Days in Dixie," where there are displayed a lot of ludicrous situations. The olio opens with Pewee Williams, the wizard tramp juggler; the Turners, James and Louise, singers, dancers and skaters; Daisy Fox, the little soubrette; Allie Johnson, slack wire artist; George Thomas, eloquent talker and banjo artist, Sunny South Quartet, Brooks, Edmonds, Harris and Turner; Big Eight, song and dance, including S. Pewee, G. Holden, Daisy Fox, Viola Harris, George Thomas, Albert Harris, Cloff Brooks and Robert Edmonds. The second act is "Fun in a Military Camp," where James Turner and Cliff Brooks are seen to great advantage. Ed Fox is leader of the band, composed of ten soloists, and H. B. Washington is orchestra leader.

PEKIN THEATER, LOUISVILLE, KY.

The S. R. O. sign was placed at the Pekin Monday night, when Hendon's latest farce comedy, "Bingham," under the direction of Ellmore Taylor, was presented by the Taylor-Hendon Stock Company. The comedy is really a nice piece of work; the dialogues are good and singing fine. The opening chorus, "Topeka," was delightfully rendered. "Ain't That So, Malinda?" sung by Miss Myers, was nicely done. Bud Livelys took several encores with "Take Your Hands Away." Robert Clarke is the Barnum of all comedy artists seen at the Pekin; even a look from Robert would bring down the house. Mr. Clarke sang "Going Away," and received several encores. Ellmore Taylor sang "Liza" in a creditable manner. Lovie Taylor's song was a nice bit of work, and seemed to please the crowd. The opening song the second act, "Kinkie," sung by Mrs. Chandlier and Baby Estella Chandlier, was the hit of the evening. Little Estella is one of the brightest children ever seen in Louisville. Miss Taylor closed the show with her song, "Down Among the Sugar Cane." From public opinion "Bingham" is due crowded houses every evening.

CULLIGAN'S NASHVILLE STUDENTS.

Culligan's Nashville Students have been showing in northern California for a number of weeks.

Marvelous LaShe expects to open his Georgia Coon Shouters about October 5, and sends best regards to all friends.

L. McDuff, band leader and interlocutor, had a short lay-off a week ago, and visited his relatives in Oakland. He brought back some good music for his band.

Mrs. Rose Mitchell, wife of Fulton Mitchell, will leave for her home in Camden, Ark., from San Francisco, May 1, for a vacation. She sends best wishes to all, and will rejoin the show in Omaha.

Ruby Smith sends regards to Harry Sinclair and Tom Thurman.

Ed L. Anderson sends regards to George Walker and other friends.

Walter Lancaster sends regards to Leroy Bland and partner, and would like to have one of their pictures.

George Wilson would like to hear from P. L. Jenkins and S. H. Dudley.

THE PROFESSION AT MILWAUKEE

P. J. Cooper writes:

The Weaver Brothers' Mandolin Sextet is playing an indefinite engagement at the Fountain Inn Cafe, with two mandolins, William Cole and Eddie Davis; two guitars, Mal Weaver and Kid Duncan; two cellos, Frank Weaver and Sam Arnold.

Frank Anthony is filling an engagement at Wonderland Theatrr as banjo soloist.

Miss Nettie Murdock is making good at the Family Theater as a song and dance soubrette.

Cal Lyvers, who received $1,109 from Uncle Sam, will open a lunch and ice cream parlor on Wells street in May.

Tony Burgette furnished twenty colored people at the Baptist Theater last week, presenting "Teddy in Africa."

The installation of the Colored Catholic Foresters will be held June 6 at the Alhambra Theater, and their picnic at Racine on the 7th, accompanied by the Cream City Band.

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ALLEN'S MINSTRELS.

After playing through Alabama, we entered Mississippi for three stands, then into Memphis, Tenn., thence into Arkansas, on the way west.

On April 13, while in Birmingham, Ala., the bunch visited Napoleon Black, who was severely injured by a street car the day previous.

Robert Miller is on the sick list.

Frank King, who joined April 12 at Attala, Ala., has danced himself into prominence. He is winning applause nightly with his peculiar stunts in dancing.

Charles E. Rue, conversationalist par excellence, still holds his own. He belongs to the old school, and knows his profession from A to Z.

G. B. Brooks sends best regards to H. Q. Clark.

Prof. McCammon sends regards to Paul Carter, and says "Why don't you write?"

Robert H. Gant, solo mellophone, sends best regards to Irene Gales and James Wolfscales.

William Fischer desires to hear from the Tollivers, Mabel and Alex. Write care THE FREEMAN.

Our concert, which follows the monstrel performance nightly, was recently remodeled according to the ideas of our capable and experienced manager, Mr. Allen, and it never fails to please. The peculiar antics of the performers and witty sayings never fail to produce a hearty laugh.

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TEN DARK KNIGHTS.

Napoleon Johnson sends the following from the Ten Dark Knights, now touring Europe:

After spending five weeks in a hospital in Brussels, from the effects of an operation, I rejoined the company in London, April 5, when we opened at the Willesden Hippodrome, and our act in the big city went as well as it has through the provinces, and on our opening night and each night during the week we would leave the audiences asking for more, and were a big hit.

At first the agents were somewhat skeptical about taking the act outside of English-speaking countries, as there was singing and talking in it, but since playing Brussels we were such a scream—well, as the old saying is, "the proof of the pudding is in the eating," and, to make a long story short, we were immediately booked for Germany, Paris, Copenhagen, return date at Brussels, etc.; which time commences as soon as we finish our five weeks London time.

All the boys are well and having the time of their lives, and the deportment of the company is the best that it has been on this side. Our genial manager, Henderson Smith, is congratulating himself in getting such a company of boys together, and weeded out what he called the drones before coming over here.

Jack Smith, our comedian, is making the hit of his life, and some of his sayings, such as "Is my face red?" etc., are the bye-words in every town we play.

W. J. Collins, our bass soloist., in rendering "Old Black Joe," never fails to get his share of applause.

Morris P. Warfield, our dancing master, has a number of coon songs and ballads he has composed, and is in communication with the publishers, Francis, Day & Hunter, and a bright future along this line is in store for him.

The roster of the company is as follows: Henderson Smith, manager; Jack Smith, comedian, assisted by Morris Warfield, W. J. Collins, Alonzo Boson, Owen Granger, John W. Mobley, Charlie Alexander, Leonard Scott and your humble servant.

The press and public pronounce us the best colored act that ever came over from America, and our band, under the able leadership of Henderson Smith, is one of the leading features, and at night, after finishing the overture in first number of our act, for at least a minute you can hardly hear yourself for the applause.

All the boys send regards to all friends in and out of the profession, and are always eager when the boat arrives, so we can get the old reliable THE FREEMAN, which keeps us in touch with all the news, both professional and otherwise.

Glad to hear from friends any time.

DEAR DEHOMEY!

By JULI JONES.

The grand old Stroll has begun to awaken, after one of the hardest winters. The weather man hasn't a friend left. The girls hustled hard to get the latest style "coal-scuttle" hats, and not a one of them has had the chance to wear them. It's just awful!

As for the managers of the five and ten-cent theaters, with two exceptions they have lost their lives the past winter. The Grand and Monogram have made money, but the other house managers haven't had a full night's sleep since early in December. Their troubles came about just as predicted in these columns, when all hands started in to bucking and fighting one another. The actors and landlords got the money; the public the shows, and the managers got left, with the exception of the Grand and Monogram. These two houses went the limit, and really paid bigger salaries than the same teams got at the Olympic and Haymarket. From the pace that they have set right along, it would kill any little house in Chicago. Manager Brooks, of the Grand, has held the winning hand over Manager Kline, of the Monogram. The latter house has encountered more bad luck in the last four months that Kate Claxton playing the "Two Orphans." First a fire on Sunday night; next water stopped the works. The final blow came through the death of Mr. Marks, which will have its effect, as he was game and paid big salaries regardless of business.

As to the other houses along the Stroll, they have been knocked every way. The Washington has had twenty managers in six months; the Lincoln has broken two banks; the Royal is in the hands of a sage bush syndicate, Clark's Amusement Company. The question is, where did they come from, and who has the money? The Dunbar has at last fallen into the hands of good managers, the Byron Brothers. They are doing the business from a musical standpoint. They are giving the best show along the Stroll. The Pekin has fallen out of the running long ago, and has been putting on legitimate shows and doing well, but will send off its first musical show May 10. The full original crew has been gotten together. Joe Jordan, "the kid with the gaton," has charge of the orchestra and chorus. Mr. Green has adopted the baseball idea in regard to the chorus people. The complete outfit will be young blood. This will certainly be an improvement, as they are young, full of speed and fire, which is the foundation of all successful musical shows.

Billy King, the stage manager of the Georgia Minstrels, has just pulled through a very dangerous operation. His case puzzled many Chicago specialists.

Clarence Powell got his crew together for the summer show, including "Frosty Moore." Clarence is game, that's all.

Harry Brown, the cartoonist, and wife are playing the Big Morris time now. He says his success is due to his ability to change naturally in one minute if he finds out that sentiment is against the Indian. He changes to Chinaman, Japanese, or anything. This is a good tip to those who can change, but who can?

This same gentleman is getting up a "Camp Jig" show for the Seattle Fair. Good promises to good people; railroad fares both ways. It's the same old case—go out on the freight train and return on the hog train. It is hoped on all sides that he will carry about five thousand. We can spare them. I don't care if they never come back.

PITTSBURG SHOW SHOP.

By JASSIMINE.

Things are going along fine on the Avenue just now. We are having the finest kind of weather, and everything seems to be moving along just lovely.

The new theater on the Avenue, near Fulton street, is almost completed, and is to be opened on or about May 3. It will be known as the Star, and is without doubt one of the finest vaudeville houses in the city.

We have several new colored acts in the city at present—Hector, Johnson and Ringer, known as the Memphis Students Trio, Burton and Watts, Meggins and Green, Reese Brothers, and a few others. They are all playing the Morganstern & Harris circuit, and from all reports are going big.

Bert Briscoe, a young colored man of this city, is now holding the position of electrician at Blaney's Empire Theater, in the East End, the first position of its kind to be held by a colored man in this city.

Jack Johnson, the heavyweight champion of the world, played an engagement at the Gaiety Theater last week, and proved to be the drawing card of the season. The champion did a very neat little turn, which consisted of bag-punching and boxing, and ended with a short speech by the champion. He was well received at each performance, and was forced to respond to numerous encores. The champion was the guest of Frank Sutton, the well-known hotel keeper, during his stay in the city, and was the honored guest at a number of swell social affairs given by prominent colored people. On Monday night he was serenaded and escorted to the theater by the First Brigade Band, K. of P., of thirty pieces; was banqueted by Mr. Sutton Tuesday night; by Iron City Lodge of Elks at their "Rest" on Wednesday night; at Ward's Stag Hotel on Friday night, and at the Young Men's Thinking Club on Saturday night.

Baseball has struck the Avenue with a vim, and has become the most popular topic of the day, so it seems. The employes of the two vaudeville houses on the Avenue have formed teams, and are to play a series of five games at Washington Park. Abe Goldstein is captain of the Lyceum team, and Sammy Levinson is captain of the Fulton team. They have chosen Billie Butler to officiate as umpire for the series, and, owing to the bitter rivalry existing between the two teams, the games are being looked forward to with great interest.

The Betters, Billie and Clara, are now playing the Verbeck circuit, and are making good, as usual. Mr. Betters is now singing R. Anthony Bush's successful hit, "Re-spon-si-bility," and is taking from three to five encores nightly.

Both vaudeville houses continue to offer real good bills, and are drawing large crowds nightly.

THE LYCEUM.—This house offers a very good bill this week, headed by the Le Vards, in a singing and talking act that was well received; they are both real good singers and talkers, and received hearty applause for their work. It is a very good act. Then came Master Joe Rosser, a wonderful boy slack wire artist, who presented one of the best novelty acts ever seen on the Avenue. His work was marvelous, and he too, received hearty applause. A fair monologuist and moving pictures closed a very good bill.

THE FULTON.—This house offers an excellent bill this week, headed by Burton and Watts, who presented the best singing, dancing and talking act that has ever been seen on the Avenue, and one of the best that has been seen in this city. This team is indeed very evenly matched, Charles Burton, the straight man, is an excellent talker, a very good singer, and one of the few straight men who can really dance. As a comedian Billy Watts is all one could wish for—a good talker, a real good singer, and without doubt the neatest soft shoe dancer that has ever been seen on the Avenue. All in all, it is indeed a good act. The Bishops, sketch artists, presented a fairly good act, and R. G. Baker, in illustrated songs, was well received. Moving pictures closed a very good bill.

RAMBLING.

Harry Brown is unique and distinct in his work. Very few, regardless of color, have similar talent, rapid drawing. He hails from Indianapolis; I think that he is in Europe at this time. His father is Charles W. Brown, the well-known politician. Harry was rather wild in his youth; did not think any too much of school, staying, however, long enough to get a good working education. No one suspected his talent, at least to the extent and peculiar direction it took. He, it is understood, began drawing early, but nothing was thought of it, since every school boy tries his hand at drawing sooner or later. There is philosophy in what "Topsy" had to say in regard to herself when she said she "just growed." The same may be said of either Brown or Harry Fiddler; they just growed. Harry Brown will be remembered by his unusual good humor. The same broad smile suffuses his face as it did years ago; it was not that dull, meaningless smile, but something of conscious superiority along some line—an assuring smile.

He was first seen in the churches and small halls, giving exhibitions, and at the same time perfecting his work for the future. He improved rapidly, and in a few years was in great demand. Really, Brown became so clever that he found it to his advantage to travel as anything excepting a Negro. He is rather light, and has found no trouble in passing for a white person when making up pretty "heavy." In recent years he has been Indian; he and his cousin, Frank Brown, the well-known tenor, were associated, showing as Indian college boys. Frank sang while Harry drew.

Somehow the artists did not get along. Perhaps they were both too clever. Harry had been going it alone; did not know what it was to double up until he made the proposition to Frank. They didn't get along, at any rate. Shortly after their disagreement Harry and his wife passed through Indianapolis, en route to the East. They stopped at the Parker House. Quite an amusing incident occurred. He introduced me to his wife. Says I, "What's the name, please?" He said, "Mrs. Brown, of course," with a laugh that was tantalizing. "Oh, yes, of course," says I. The chagrin can be imagined. Both of them laughed at my discomfiture.

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Mrs. Harry Brown. I did not ask after her as to her home. The reason is plain. I thought of that horrible blunder all the while. The stage fright was on for true. Even an ordinary woman flurries one for a moment or so, but if she has talent, has notions about things, she will put the ordinary man to rout, at least for a time. In trying to make good for the blunder, I ventured to compliment Mr. Brown on his good taste in selecting his wife. But I don't think I helped things a little bit. I came away thinking that Harry would have to talk very hard and fast to convince her that I wasn't an arrant imbecile. Mrs. Brown is good looking, dignified in her movements, and speaks well. At that time she was in training to make one of the team which Harry said, I think, would be known as Brown and Brown. He was much delighted with the progress she was making.

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I must confess that Indianapolis has not sent out any real great colored women, at least in recent days. Lucretia Knox, now singing in Europe, was formerly of Kentucky. Perhaps it would not be entirely honest to claim her as an Indianapolis product. Lizzie Pugh Dugan was of the old school, but one of the most gifted women that ever lived. This is in no sense an exaggeration; God never gave human a more beautiful voice. When she sang she lifted completely out of herself into some higher sphere, and sang from this new eminence. This expression does not sound sane, but it's true. And what's more, and to her a hurt, she only sang thus when fully under the influence of intoxicants—fully, I say, and in no sense of ridicule, but as a truth that's worth knowing. Of course, she could sing at all times, but when in this strange condition Adelina Patti had no such voice. She mocked the birds in her trills. Again this is no exaggeration.

Lizzie had some little musical education; she had no reason to have much, since she was a great big girl before she knew that she was much of a singer. And must I say that I, too, saw her at the beginning? I think I am the only living individual that can tell about it. Others are as old and older, but they in the most part had eyes like moles and ears like adders. It was many years ago; not less than thirty; and I am afraid to say just how many more at this time. And must I say I was a little tot of a fellow, doing my part in helping Moses Broyles in his Sunday-school concerts?

To one of the rehearsals incident to one of the numerous concerts came two young women; they were simply working girls, in private house service. I had not seen them to know them before that night; I presume Rev. Broyles had asked them to take part in the entertainment. At any rate, on this evening they came on the floor to sing a duet. There was no music to accompany them. I don't think any one played the organ or the piano enough to do more than "church pieces" and Sunday-school music. The names of either come to me now as they have a thousand times when thinking of singers and of this women with the heavenly voice. Peggie Kerell—does any one saving I remember her? I think not. So early I was impressed with singers and singing. "Peggie Kerell and Lizzie Dugan will now sing a duet entitled 'Come, birdie, come, kiss me good-night, for my evening prayer is said.'" Those were the beginning words, if not the title. Peggie could not make good after trying several times. Lizzie got mad and said she would sing it by herself. It was the rise of Lizzie Dugan. She was the first, the last, the best. No one, even in this day, talks of singing when Dugan's name was mentioned. Why didn't she do more? She did much. She traveled the country over for years, doing nothing but singing, and that at a time when Negroes were not so popular on the stage.

She was blessed with voice and execution, but most unfortunately was without education. Consequently she could not do the great things. The most she could do was to commit a few pages of the best music; not whole operas—an impossible thing without the aid of note knowledge. She did not know what she possessed. She rejoiced that she was able to leave common labor and live the life of refinement and ease. Of course, she did not drink at the outset; but it perhaps was due to that leisure which she did not know how to use. Lizzie was an ignorant woman when it came to letters. Indianapolis knows her yet, the present Indianapolis, since it has not been so long since she sang. She has been dead for something like two years.

SIWEL.

Associated with Charles S. Sager in the Novelty Producers' and Promoters' Company of Winnipeg, Man., is Will B. Lawrence. Mr. Lawrence is well known in Chicago. Two seasons ago he was at the head of the Lawrence and Goins Colored Comedy Company. Lawrence and Sager are with the Rumohr Summer Shows for the season of 1909; they ask for good people at all times. The company evidently is making good financial headway.

Not long since Ernest Hogan did Paul Laurence Dunbar's "Emancipation Day." Herbert Everett Amos, the dramatic editor, said the rendition was an original masterpiece. He said: "The apparent idea of the author was to show the humorous side of the Negro; but this clever actor (with all respect to Mr. Dunbar) already had his interpretation at command. Seeing the pitiful side of the old plantation darky as he did, it cannot but bring tears to your eyes, reminding you of stories of the old ante-bellum days."

KENTUCKIANS AND NEW YORKERS DIVIDE

Large Crowds Witness Contests—"Little" Griffin of the A. B. C.'s Fails to Win.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 28.—Four thousand five hundred people saw the Louisville Giants defeat the New York Cuban Giants last Sunday, at the Giant's park, Twenty-eighth street and Broadway. The much-heralded New Yorkers were completely surprised when the ninth inning came and they had not made a score. In whist parlance it would be called a "Boston." Captain Williams, of New York, claimed that his men had never had a practice and had not the chance to learn the signals; at any rate the home boys did not count this an excuse, and they now wear the honor with becoming modesty.

The game in many respects was interesting and fast. The best part of the game was played by the local Giants. Every man of them seemed to be screwed up to win. The Kentucky boys just hit the New York pitchers for the fun of it, while Hale, for the Giants, did not allow the New Yorkers to make a hit up to the seventh inning, and succeeded in striking out seven men.

Some very excellent work was performed by Gordon and Bedford, of the New York Giants, but their fellow players did not support them. It was evident that Captain Williams' men knew the game, but they lacked practice.

Captain Pugh and him men, and especially Dallas Cater, were in the gaes every minute. Every position was well fortified, and the pitching of Hale was pleasing to all. Coleman played splendid first base, and in fact the out-field made a high percentage.

Prof. Tobe Brown's band was present and played from 1 o'clock until 3 o'clock, at which time "Honest" Charlie Taylor called the game. The ladies' grandstand was crowded, and they, too, enjoyed the game as well as the old-time fans.

Score by innings:

										R.H.E.
N. Y.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 4 8
Louisv.	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	7 8 3

The second game was played on Monday between the Cuban Giants and Louisville Giants, and 1,000 people saw the Giants of New York, put up a better game than they did on Sunday. It just seemed that a stream of luck was in favor of the Cubans, and they began to hit the ball early in the game. The famous Griffin, of the Indianapolis A. B. C's, was in the box, but he did not succeed in making the Gothan youngsters miss the ball.

It was strictly a hitting game for the visitors, but a game of errors for the home boys. Fumbling at first and right field was largely the cause of the Louisville Giants losing the game. In the fourth inning the local boys warmed up and got two men on the bases, and Alexander knocked out a hit, bringing in two men, including Nat Rogers, who had knocked a three bagger. A muff of Bates in right field caused a deep sigh when two New Yorkers walked in home with ease. In the ninth inning the New Yorkers brought in three scores, which made the game 10 to 3 in favor of the visitors. The Colonels came forward, anxious to increase the score. Individual work loomed up forcibly among the Giants, and they began to bat Davis all around. Two men came in, and it looked like the home boys were going to put forth a different tale, but with three men on base and a nice fly, closed with a score of 10 to 6.

The Louisville Giants will play the Birminghams next Sunday. This is the most famous ball team of the South.

The score:

N. Y. Giants	1	0	3	0	2	0	1	0	3	10
Lou. Giants	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3	6

The Louisville Giants left Tuesday morning for French Lick Springs, Ind., to play a series of games. Manager Ed Lencaster is much pleased with his men, and says that he has one of the best teams in the country. Captain Williams, of the New York Cuban Giants, states that the local boys are excellent players, and before the summer is over, he expects to hear of them standing high with other semi-professional teams.

CARY B. LEWIS.

A. B. C.'S WIN TWO GAMES FROM SHELBYVILLE RAMBLERS.

"Ranites" Too Much for White Boys—Visitors Lacked Team Work and Real Knowledge of the Game.

The double-header between the A. B. C.'s and the Shelbyville Ramblers, Sunday, was a one-sided affair, so much so that the games, from the spectators' point of view, were uninteresting. The "Ranites" swallowed both games, and made 17 runs to the Ramblers' 1. Griffin pitched the first game, which ended with a score of 10 to 1. "Griff" allowed the visitors but one hit. Shawler was easily the star of the game, crossing home plate for four runs. Errors allowed the Shelbyville boys to escape a whitewashing. Merida caught in both games, while Lolla played all around second base.

With the score 7 to 0, the second game ended in the fifth inning. Davis pitched, and gave the Ramblers one hit and fanned six men.

The Danville (Ill.) boys will meet the local team to-morrow at the Northwestern Park.

The scores:

A. B. C.'s	2	4	0	2	0	1	0	1	*	10
Ramblers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1

A. B. C.'s	0	4	3	0	*—7
Ramblers	0	0	0	0	0—0

SOME BASEBALL NOTES.

The lineup of the Danville Unions, who cross bats with the A. B. C.'s Saturday and Sunday, with a double-header on Sunday, is as follows: M. Mitchell, 2b; E. Lee, lf; B. Woods, cf; F. Goliah, 3b; C. W. Bryson, ss; William Bradley, rf and p; Gus Johnson, 1b; William Noelan, c; L. Johnson, p; M. Johnson, p. Johnson, the famous pitcher of the Danville Unions, who recently shut out the Wabash Clerks of St. Louis to the tune of 7 to 0, will be on the firing line for the visitors. The first game will be called on Sunday at 1:30. Take Indiana avenue car.

The action of Catcher Primm, who jumped the A. B. C. team last week to go with the New York Giants, without warning to the management of the A. B. C. club, and apparently without provocation, is causing much comment in baseball circles. The action of the player is generally condemned.

Ran Butler, manager of the A. B. C. team, is very much incensed over the treatment he and his players received at the hands of the club at Louisville last week, under the management of Ed Lancaster. Mr. Butler claims that the decisions of the umpire were a disgrace to baseball, and could only tend to utterly destroy the sport in Louisville if such tactics are kept up. Owing to the general dissatisfaction among the local players, Manager Butler feels that it will be rather hard in the future to get the home boys to consent to play the team under Mr. Lancaster again.

The Waldors, of Cincinnati, Ohio, are booked to appear at Northwestern Park some time during the regular season.

The West Baden, Ind., Sprudels defeated the Louisville, Ky., Giants Tuesday, April 27, by a score of 6 to 5.

The "game keeper" was on the coaching line last Sunday in full uniform, and was actively exercising his lungs around third base.

"RIVER RATS" DEFEATED.

The West Baden (Ind.) ball team opened the season Sunday, April 25, with the Evansville Athletics, a semi-professional white team, before a very large and enthusiastic crowd. The bicycle track, which is used as a grandstand, was filled half way around. The game was fast and snappy, quite unlike an opening game. The feature of the game was the pitching and batting of Bennie Lyons, who struck out six men and put the ball over the center field fence with two men on base for a home run. Webb, the new first baseman from Anderson, Ind., showed up as a professional ball player. Toney, of the Chicago Union Giants, had an off day, with two errors, but managed to get away with two safe ones. Gordon, one of the A. B. C.'s old star catchers, also showed up well, and landed a couple of safe ones.

Score:

West Baden	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	5
Evansville	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	3

The Louisville Giants and the Cuban Giants will play here this week.

TIGERS DEFEAT DYERS.

The Tigers defeated the Dyers, one of the best colored teams in St. Louis, Sunday, 6 to 4, at Handlan's Park.

Score by innings:

										R.H.E.
Tigers	0	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	*	6 9 4
Dyers	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	4 6 5

Batteries—For the Tigers, Dismuck and Green; for the Dyers, Percy and Woods.

Struck Out—By Dismuck, 10; by Percy, 8.

Bases on Balls—Off Dismuck, 2; off Percy, 4.

Hit by Pitched Ball—By Dismuck, 1; by Percy, 1.

Lineup of Tigers: Eldridge, ss; Crawford, 3b; Lansue, 1b; White, cf; Mosley, 2b; Neal, lf; Taylor, rf; Green, c; Dismuck, p.

Lineup of Dyers: Foley, ss; Pitchers, 1b; D. Watson, 2b; Salfy, 3b; G. Watson, cf; Tirkey, rf; Woods, c; Percy, p.

Attendance, 600. Weather fair.

The Tigers want games with any strong team.

CUBS BEAT TASTE TELLS.

Twelve hundred dyed-in-the-wool fans went down to Recclus to see the strong Taste Tells, of Indianapolis, defeat the Louisville Cubs, but were agreeably disappointed. The Cubs played the kind of ball that was bound to win. The Taste Tells tried every scheme and trick they had in stock, but without success. Pitcher Martin, with the able assistance of Catcher Mitchel and seven other determined team mates, played a good game. Collins, at first base, was easily the feature of the game. Only one error was registered against the Cubs:

Score by innings:

										R.H.E.
Cubs	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	7 8 1
T. T.'s	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 5 5

Batteries—Cubs, Martin and Mitchell; Taste Tells, Mason and Dunn.

Two-base Hits—Collins, Emory.

Three-base Hit—Martin.

Struck Out—By Martin, 4; by Mason, 2.

Passed Ball—Dunn.

Time of Game—1:55.

Attendance—1,200.

Umpire—Nutter.

OPENING GAME AT ATKINS PARK TODAY.

The Atkins baseball team will open their local season this afternoon with the Cuban Giants. The two teams also play to-morrow afternoon. The Cuban Giants are one of the strongest colored aggregations on the road. There will also be a curtain-raiser between two amateur teams. Colored fans are cordially invited to attend. No extra charge for ladies occupying the grandstand. The New York Giants recently signed "Sheeney" Primm, ex-A. B. C. backstop, who will be used in one of the games. The colored fans can rest assured of courteous treatment. Fred C. Gardner, of the Atkins Saw Works, is interested in the enterprise. This is ample guarantee that everything will be strictly first class.

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DELHI, O.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. J. H. Brooks, of the C. M. E. Church, and W. C. Hawkins, the FREEMAN representative, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Blackburn and Mrs. George Foreman Sunday afternoon at a 2 o'clock dinner....Regular services were conducted at the A. M. E. Church Sunday. Rev. W. H. Blackburn, pastor....Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Dudley entertained at a 3 o'clock dinner Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Cleveland, of Burlington, Ky., and Mr. Henry Payne, of Bullitsville, Ky. ....Mr. and Mrs. George Boston entertained Sunday afternoon at dinner the following named guests: Mrs. Sousley, Mr. Edward Taylor, Miss Maud Lucas, Mrs. James Mitchell of Sekitan, Mr. Emmett Payne of Kentucky, Messrs. Harvey and Samuel Boston of Cincinnati, and the Misses Margaret and Fannie Buchanan of Sekitan, and Mr. Davis....Mrs. Annie Coleman and Mrs. Johnson are conducting a first-class restaurant on Main street. ....The FREEMAN representative will be in the city every Saturday evening. Get a copy and read the latest race news.... Mr. Allen W. Bush, of 665 Prospect street, entertained at dinner Sunday evening Rev. R. Neal and Mr. Birdie Binkum, of Sekitan....Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gilmore entertained at a 2:30 o'clock dinner Sunday Mrs. Leona Jones, of 14 Court street, Cincinnati, Ohio....Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jimmerson entertained at dinner at 4 o'clock Sunday the following guests: Mr. Ruben Graves, of Boone county, Ky.; Miss Ethel Foster, Mrs. Pearl Clayton and Mrs. Ella Delaney, of Sekitan; Mr. Arthur Bailey, of Boone county, Ky.; Miss Ollie Mitchell, of Hopkinsville; Mrs. Van Higgins, of Sekitan, and Mrs. Tildey Rannals, of Delhi....Rev. W. P. Fields entertained at a 4 o'clock dinner Rev. B. P. Wilson, of Home City....Rev. Moon, of Cincinnati, occupied the pulpit at the First Baptist Church Sunday morning and evening. Rev. George W .Wyatt, D. D., preached a special sermon at 3:30....Mr. Cyrus Murphy, of Washington avenue, entertained the following guests at dinner Sunday: Miss Jennie Murphy, of Avondale; Miss Annie Utz, Mr. Hubert Brock, of Covington, Ky.; Mrs. Mary Grubbs, Mrs. Alberta Griggs, of Sekitan; Mrs. Josephine McCrutcher, Mrs. Kate McCrution, of Cincinnati, Ohio....The representative of THE FREEMAN has about completed arrangements for the industrial and historical report of the village of Sekitan, which will appear soon....Rev. Fields, teacher of the Methodist Sunday-school, reports a good success with the work....Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Duke entertained for dinner Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. James Smith, of Sekitan, Mrs. Sarah Willis, Mr. and Mrs. George Baker, of Lawrenceburg, Ind. ....Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Sim Dudley entertained at dinner Sunday afternoon Rev. George Wyott and Rev. W. H. Lewis, of Cincinnati; Miss Bessie Hedges, of Home City; Miss Lena Thornton and Mrs. Charlotte Payne, of Kentucky, and Rev. Johnson, of Cincinnati....Mr. Edward Graves entertained at dinner Sunday afternoon Mr. James Bowman and Miss Bessie Groves....Fully five hundred persons witnessed the baptizing at Delhi Sunday afternoon at Muddy creek. Rev. George Wyott, D. D., of the Antioch Baptist Church, Cincinnati, did the baptizing. Prayer was offered by Rev. R. Neal. At the water's edge at 3:30 o'clock Rev. Wyott preached a wonderful sermon, taking for his subject "If ye have been risen with Christ, seek the things above." In the basement was prepared a very large table for the serving of visitors free, and about three hundred and fifty were served. Dr. Wyatt administered sacrament and gave the right hand of fellowship. About five hundred persons were present at the evening sermon. Special music by the choir.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Dave McDonald died April 4. His funeral was conducted at New Hope Baptist Church April 6. Rev. L. S. Lee preached the funeral. Burial at the L. S. & D. cemetery....Mrs. Lizzie Walker died on April 7. Her funeral was conducted at New Hope Baptist Church April 8 at 1:30 p. m. Rev. L. S. Lee, the pastor, officiated. Burial at the L. S. & D. cemetery. She leaves quite a number of relatives.... Rev. J. T. Davis, of Union Baptist Church, baptized about fifteen persons on the south side Sunday April 18. Quite a number were out to witness it. The revival at the church has been well atended....Prof. Charles Stewart, A. M., of Chicago, one of the best known colored newspaper men of America, had a good crowd at St. Paul's M. E. Church Sunday evening, April 18, at 3:30 p. m. It was a talk to men and men only. His talk was good and to the point. He spoke to ladies only on Monday, April 19, at night....Rev. E. D. Hubberd, of Laurel, Miss., traveling in the interest of the national convention at Nashville, Tenn., preached an able sermon at New Hope Baptist Church Sunday evening, at 3 p. m., to a large congregation.... Rev. Lee is carrying on a revival, which is being largely attended each night. Rev. J. B. Branam, of Bethel Baptist Church, is assisting Rev. Lee in the revival.... Charlie Jackson died on Sunday, April 18. He was buried on April 19....Easter services were held at most of the colored churches on Sunday, April 11....Mrs. Annie Miller has been quite sick the past week at her home, on Thirtieth avenue.

TYLER, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Dr. Chas. Henry Phillips, Jr., has returned to the city after an extended Northern trip. Among the cities visited by the Doctor were Nashville, Tenn., St. Louis, Racine, Wis., Muskogee, Okla., and Chicago....The Rev. S. W. Browne, president of P. W., the jubilee singers, Rev. Wm. Womack, Col. W. A. Redwine and a number of other Tyler citizens, attended the big missionary convention at Texarkana, this week. Rev. W. B. West, D. D., Dallas, Tex., and general secretary of missions of the C. M. E. Church, was the president and moving spirit....There is in progress of construction in this city a new $150,000 court house. Every single workman is a colored man....The main building of Phillips University has just been completed, at a cost of $35,000, and is the most eloquent exponent of self-help in the country. Every dollar of this was raised by Negroes in less than two years' time, led by Bishop Charles Henry Phillips, D. D., bishop of the Fifth Episcopal District, Colored Methodist Church. Bishop Phillips is a great financier and leads the colored religious workers of all denominations along this line....Dr. W. H. Bibb leaves for Mexico soon, to see after interests down there....Efforts are being made to have Dr. Booker T. Washington visit Phillips University and Tyler in his Texas tour.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Knights of Pythias gave a grand entertainment, followed by an Easter dance, Wednesday evening of last week, at the Auditorium Annex. There was a large crowd present, and the dance, which followed the program of musical numbers, lasted until late. The program included the Tuxedo Quartet of St. Paul, composed of A. L. Hedge, L. G. Jackson, J. H. Hickman, Jr., and A. J. French; Myrtle Brand, of Minneapolis, contralto; C. H. Miller, in an impersonation of George Walker, the colored comedian; Hattie Loomis, of St. Paul, soprano; Dick Vivian and company, buck and wing dancing; Mrs. R. C. Minor, soprano; C. H. Miller and Hattie Loomis, in a sketch; J. A. White, tenor; Roy Clack, club swinging, and Ada Lewis and Mildred Shull, pianists. The orchestra was under the direction of Mrs. Nellie Hall McCullough. The concert and ball were under the auspices of the Pride of Minnesota Lodge of Knights of Pythias No. 5 and the Nat Turner Lodge No. 2. The Twin City Vaudeville Company, a new organization, furnished the program. The committee of arrangements included William R. Morris, James A. Roberts, F. G. Thomas, William Clack, Fred Conner, George Housley, Robert Glenn, Silas G. West, William Cratic, Ralph Watson, C. C. Cooper, Lewis Williams McClelland and George Banks....The M. T. C. Art Club met Thursday of last week at the home of Mrs. Jennie Watson, on Fifth avenue South. After the business was transacted, a very interesting program followed. Mrs. Emma Helm rendered a very beautiful solo, accompanied by Mrs. Lakue. Mrs. Helm also had a paper on the life of P. B. S. Pinchback; by request it was read by Mrs. J. Watson. The club was addressed by Mrs. Weir, the subject being "The New Thought."....The ladies of the Eastern Star will give a grand prize ball in the near future....The Bethesda Baptist Church's Sunday-school has increased rapidly in numbers since the first of the year. They have an average attendance of about sixty-five each Sunday....Those that have been on the sick list for the last few days: J. R. Wilson, Mrs. S. Sample, Prof. Spencer, Mrs. Martin and Master Walter Smith....The S. M. T. Lodge will give a house social Monday evening April 26, at the home of Mrs. Judys, 2909 Nicolet avenue....The quarterly meeting will be held at St. Peter's A. M. E. Church to-morrow afternoon. Rev. Worten, Graves, and the presiding elder, Rev. Jackson, will be present. As St. Peter's has no pastor at present, Mr. Guol has been conducting the Sunday meetings....The Boys' Literary and Athletic Club has organized its baseball team, and expect to win many games this season. Harvey Moss is manager, Donald Brady captain. The boys expect to give a fine musical entertainment in the near future. Prof. Spencer, who has the boys in charge, is getting along nicely with them....L. E. Hartheman, of Keokuk, Iowa, is visiting in this city.

MINEOLA, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The bushes and trees in the South have been looking green, but they were darkened by a big frost....Mr. Robert Brooks has opened a restaurant, and has anything you want....Mr. Charles Simmond lost his mule last week at the Sandford farm. ....Mrs. Della Turman was cut last week by the knife of John Haines....Mrs. Lucy Mead was in bed with rheumatism last week....Prof. Veasy closed his school here last Friday night, and there was a large crowd. The songs and recitations were good. The boys and girls can get plenty of strawberries to pick now.... The fruit crops were damaged by cold this year, but there will be a great deal of fruit....There will be no compress work in Mineola soon, for the compress was destroyed by fire.

MASSILLON, O.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Rube Ewing is confined to his bed, suffering from an attack of pneumonia. ....Mr. George Gaddis, of South Kent street, is putting in city water into his new residence....Mr. James Earley, of 24 Sippo street, has been on the sick list, but is improving slowly...Mrs. William Byrd, of Kent street, is having gas and city water placed in her home....Mr. Louis Hughes is doing some repair work on his new residence....Mr. J. A. Johnson, of Bellevue Terrace, teached of the Shiloh Baptist Church, reports much success in his work. Mr. Johnson has been teaching the Bible class for six or seven years. He is at present studying the practice of law through the International Correspondence School, of Scranton, Pa....J. H. Lowry, proprietor of the South Street Hotel, and president and manager of the Massillon Mineral Water Manufacturing Company, reports a successful year.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

At the Sunday services, April 17, 11 a. m., at the Leonard Street Presbyterian Church, Rev. C. E. Lucke, D. D., pastor, preached a well-prepared sermon to quite an appreciative audience. The choir rendered some choice music....The Warren A. M. E. Church, Rev. I. H. Welch, D. D., pastor, has requested that all of the class leaders for the May Rally raise in each class the sum of $25. Bro. D. H. Hall, class leader of class No. 1, has the honor of being the first to report that amount in cash up to date. He is quite an earnest church worker....Miss Belle Washington, the public school teacher at Howard High School, has the distinguished honor of being one of the first graduates of the above named school, and is an excellent product of her teachers, educationally. She has taught in this school for quite a while and is a very proficient teacher....H. M. Brazelton, the photographer, has a first-class photo studio, with the latest modern improvements to do extra fine work.

QUINCY, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Bidie Walker and James Jackson left last Tuesday for New York, where they will join Ringling Brothers' circus....A. M. Williams, of Springfield, Ill., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Dabner, on East Spruce street....S. H. Shumaker left last Monday for Chicago on business.... Mrs. S. B. Golden, on North Fifth street, has been very sick, but is improving.... The Stags gave a progressive supper with five courses, which proved to be a brilliant success, at the Bethel A. M. E. Church.... It was men's day at the Citation Club last Sunday, and a splendid program was given and a large crowd was present, regardless of the storm....The officers of the Eighth and Elm Street Baptist Church did not have a success with their rally, on account of the storm, but will continue next Sunday....Those on the sick list are Mrs. Fannie Curl, Toliver Robinson and Mrs. J. Thomas....John Richardson has returned home from a long visit with his sister in Spokane, Wash....There will be a prize drill between girls and boys at Eighth and Elm Church in the near future.

XENIA, O.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The juniors of the East Main Street High School held their last rhetoricals for the year on Friday, April 9. They had the room decorated and potted plants placed in various places. Their program opened with a violin duet. All of the subjects discussed were concerning Christ. A very enjoyable budget was read by Warren K. Harris, and then a presentation speech by James A. J. Massive, the president of the class, before giving the seniors Easter eggs. The seniors were so nngrateful as to throw the eggs at the juniors. Among the visitors were Mr. Corson, president of the N. E. A., and Prof. Cox, superintendent of the Xenia schools....Miss Irene Smith, of Wilberforce, was in the city Friday....Quite a number went to Wilberforce on Thursday night to hear Joseph H. Douglass, the violinist, grandson of the late Frederick Douglass....THE FREEMAN may be had at the Acme news stand, East Main street....The Crescent ball team of the East Main Street High School are requested to practice on every Tuesday and Friday afternoon....Mrs. E. A. Clark, of Wilberforce, entertained the High School, Friday afternoon, with a musical program. ....Quite a number of converts were baptized at Jackson's Run Sunday....Mrs. Alice Gales has returned to her home in Cincinnati, after a two weeks' visit.... There will be a grand May festival at the Zion Baptist Church, May 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. ....A large crowd went to hear the lecture given by Mrs. Nannie Burroughs at Zion Baptist Church last Friday night.

DALLAS, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

State Grand Chancellor and Inspector General A. N. Prince, of Sherman, Tex., of the Knights sof Pythias, jurisdiction of Texas, paid the six subordinate lodges and two uniform companies, Nos. 4 and 15, his annual visit at Castle Hall, last Monday night, in this city. He was escorted to the hall by the two companies in dress uniform, under the command of Captains J. L. Jones and J. G. Griffin, where he was given the grand honors by over three hundred Knights of the city, after which Acting P. C. Hodge requested the reading of the call and turned the assembly over to the grand chancellor, who pointed out the grand work of the order in a way that has caused the Knights of the city to know more fully the good business methods in which the Pythians of the State are being conducted. He further pointed out ways to meet the great demands for the order for years to come, also the duties of all the Grand Lodge officers and the various departments, and the need of the State Pythian Temple, etc. Dr. Prince is held in the highest esteem here, and it is expected that all opposition that has been existing over the State will soon melt away when the cold facts are explained, as they were here....Mr. W. A. Ricketts wishes to sincerely thank his many friends who were so kind and considerate towards his beloved wife in her long and continued illness and death. Services were held Wednesday at 2 o'clock, from Eavenings Chapel C. M. E. Church. Dr. G. J. Jackson conducted the services, W. E. Ewing director. The floral offerings were beautiful...The Texas Social Club, which controls the Majestic Hall, caters to all who are seeking pleasure and wishes you to be its guest at all times. Officers: Samuel Miller, Jr., president; Isom Wooldridge, vice president; Henry Williams, secretary and treasurer; Sandy Jackson, manager. ....Messr. B. G. John and A. L. Walters have opened a furniture house on Boll and San Jacinto streets. They have a cream and cold drink place in connection, also....Mrs. Chas. Best is up, after several weeks' illness....Our City School Board dined with the domestic department of the High School last week....The committees of the various lodges of K. of P. have arrangements under way for all delegates to leave Dallas and near-by points to have chair car accommodations. Parties wishing to be accommodated can address Mr. Jim Tolbert, secretary, 566 Pythian Temple, Dallas, Tex. Let the word be, "On to Palestine Grand Lodge in June."....The new laws in the city have thinned the dives and keepers out. It has made an everlasting impression for the betterment of our people. Even the saloon men now go to church on Sundays, and people are stopped from hanging around the saloons, as of yore.

PEORIA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Mattie Antisey has returned from Chicago, and will spend the summer in the city....G. W. Cooper, of Jacksonville, was the guest of his nephew, Rev. H. W. Jameson, Sunday....Mrs. Georgia Hall, of Warner avenue, is very ill....Rev. H. W. Jameson is out, after a siege of chills and fever....H. C. Gibson and daughter, Miss Sophia, visited Thomas Gibson at Springfield Sunday....Mrs. Edna Hanna, who has been spending some time at the home of her father, Joseph Johnson, on Pine avenue, left last week for her home in Nebraska....Mr. and Mrs. Stanton Fields, of North Elizabeth street, are entertaining Stanton Fields, Jr., of Decatur....Mr. and Mrs. George Bannister were both on the sick list last week. Mr. Bannister is able to return to his work. Mrs. Bannister remains quite ill....Those who witnessed the two-act comedy, "Not a Man in the House," at Ward Chapel, Monday evening, were well pleased. The cast was as follows: Mrs. Mattie Watson as Mrs. Maria Bings, who had had experience with a cruel husband and after his death declares no man shall enter her house; Mrs. Sarah Shepperd as Miss Lucy Ryder, a timid maiden sister; Miss Nettie Summers as Jessie Ray, a niece on a visit; Miss Belle Lee as Aunt Belinda, an old-fashioned elderly lady who sympathizes with the young; Mrs. Lina Henry as Kate, a servant who has a gentleman cousin on the force she greatly admires....Preston Bannister, of Fort Madison, Iowa, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bannister, of North Adams street....Owing to the illness of Rev. H. W. Jameson, the Sunday morning services were conducted by Rev. H. F. Johnson.

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TARIFF, HIGH OR LOW.

The poor man used to take delight in talking tariff, high protection, free trade and such like high-sounding politicalism. They were also divided into camps, a portion maintaining that wages would advance under one system and that the necessities of life would come down under the other. Either of the systems, according to the respective views, would mean much to the working man. Fortunately or unfortunately, both systems, low protection and high protection, have been tried without much change in the wages of the workingman, if any.

The tariff business, like war, is sport for kings; kings of industry find it to their interest to keep back competition excepting at a disadvantage. The laborer has no objection to a patriotic tariff if he can discover where he comes in. In spite of the beautiful adjustment, so said, of the raising wage as food advanced, the leading necessity, and the rest of them, wages are standing still, if not actually declining. A cut of 10 per cent here today, there tomorrow, as may be noted through the daily papers, means that wages are declining. According to the theory of adjustment, the necessities of life should also decline in price rather than keeping the dead level now known, and with the strong tendency to advance.

There is no hue and cry in the matter since the thing is universal. Men are satisfied, however, that their dollar does not go so far as it used to go. The difference, perhaps, is considered too trifling to make a noise about but sufficient to make men skeptical as to the beautiful theories of low tariff or high tariff. They are not doing anything except thinking. This is a tariff age, a high protection age—too high, men urge—those who were formerly for the highest rates and placed fairly everywhere, and yet we have the unheard of condition of wages declining and food advancing.

A cut of 10 per cent is a small thing from the material side in times of depression. If the thing becomes general, then sugar should be cut 10 per cent, and the flour, and the meat. Corresponding reduction at the grocery would be a boon to the workingman. The flour man, the butter man, the milk man, do not reduce their prices 10 per cent. And, to speak specifically, most of those commodities have actually advanced in price, by agreement, not owing to the condition of the market by which eggs rise and fall. The same may be said of most every thing else—standing pat.

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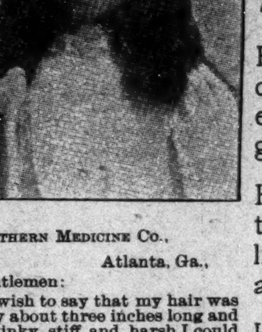

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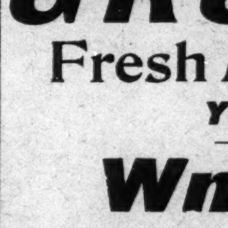

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SPORTING GOSSIP of the WEEK.

SCRAPS FROM THE SPORTING WORLD

By Harry W. Jackson.

Now for Sunday baseball in Minnesota.

A team can't do it all, Mr. Fan; you have a part to play.

Jeffries has already beaten Johnson on paper; so did Burns.

Talladega played Knoxville College Thursday and Friday of last week.

Ten months! Whew! Why didn't he add two more and make it a year?

"I have come to the conclusion that I can get back in my previous good form."

Attell and Moran will meet Friday at the Fairmount Athletic Club at New York.

What will Jeffries say if Johnson defeats him? What will Jeffries do if he regains the title?

Wilberforce University's baseball team will play Cedarville Monday on the former's diamond.

A bill prohibiting prize fights in California on Memorial Day has been signed by Governor Gillette.

Philadelphia Jack O'Brien has asked Jack Johnson for a match, to which the latter has partially consented.

Johnson, Jeffries and Corbett have all been in court in the last two months. All in vaudeville, "Facing the Judge."

Stanley Ketchel, middleweight champion, is making more of a "rep" off Johnson's popularity than off his own title.

The bout in Philadelphia between Sam Langford and Al Kubiak (pronounce it) added another plume in "Terrible" Sam's crown.

Al Kaufmann, after failing to clinch a match with Jack Johnson, has sent a challenge to Joe Jeannette, who recently defeated Sam McVey in Paris, France.

President Colburg, of the Alaska-Yukon Exposition, says that there will be no prize fighting at the fair. This means that the Jeffries-Johnson fight will not be pulled off at Seattle this summer.

George Brown, manager of the Boonville baseball team, which was recently organized, would like to arrange games with some of the Hoosier teams. Joseph Jones is captain.

It is often said that James Jeffries has never been knocked down, but it is not the truth; Jack Monroe floored the big Californian in a four-round bout at Butte, Mont., December 19, 1903.

Stamps Kirksey, of Anniston, claims the blacksmith championship of the South, and bars no one in his challenge. Kirksey makes all kinds of horseshoes, and can fit and shoe a horse with great rapidity.

The Talladega College baseball team is stronger this year than it was last year. They have played five games this year. Three of these games were played with Birmingham High School, of which the college won two.

The Y. M. C. A. has closed its gymnasium season. The basketball tournament will end when the final game is played between the Whites and Blacks. This game will decide the "Y" championship, as these two teams are tied for first place. Look out for shower baths, boys!

Walker's Cubs are in the southern part of Texas. The lineup is as follows: John Jones, 3b, captain; Aaron Coleman, 2b; Wilson Garrett, 1b; Boyd Long, ss; Otto Baldon, c; Earnest Wagoner, lf; Albert Murphy, cf; Edw. Washington, rf; Jim Hamlinton, p; Frank W. Ware, p. The opening game will be played May 13 with the Bronchos of San Antonio.

The Tigers, of St. Louis, Mo., are ready to meet all comers. They opened the season Easter Sunday by winning a game (6 to 5) from a white team of the Trolley League, before a crowd of 500 people. Address Stanley Green, 414 Washington street. The lineup is as follows: Robert Lasue (captain), 1b; F. Taylor, 2b; C. Eldridge, 3b; W. Green and Carey, c; William Dismuck and Dickinson, p; W. Carey, ss; J. Neal, lf; T. White, cf; V. Whyte, rf.

F. W. Cook's baseball team, of Vicksburg, Miss., would like to meet any team in the South on or about May 26 or later. Address Willis Brown, care of Brooks' barber shop, Vicksburg, Miss. The following is the lineup: Warren Johnson, 1b, manager; Willis Brown, 3b; James Bolls, ss; Phillips, 2b; Dan Kenna, c; Alex. Semis, lf; Harry Starks, cf; Ed Darden, rf; Earnest Clarke, p; William Perkins, p; Albert Martin, utility. Bennie Jones is president of the club. You can get T E Freeman at the Big 4 Pantatorium at any time.

Jeffries has changed his mind about Johnson being a cinch. A month or two ago he made all manner of fun of the black champion's fighting ability, but we now see that that was all random talk; he didn't mean what he said; it was for press gossip, and nothing more. Jeffries now, since he has given his word to re-enter the ring, has given a little more value to the Texan's knowledge of the fight game, and says that he will take no chances against Johnson, and is going to fight for dear life. Jeffries has also changed his opinion in regard to Ketchel licking "Artha." This has now become a doubt in his mind.

Sol Pittman, of French Lick, Ind., has organized a baseball team which will be known as the Plutos. He has a fast aggregation, and intends to build one of the finest baseball parks in the State controlled by colored people. Headed by "Rube" Washington, the team expects to carry off honors when the season ends. John Chenault, former captain of the Indianapolis A. B. C.'s, with "Johnny" behind the willow stick, home plate will be well taken care of. Manager Pittman has put much faith in Washington and Chenault to give French Lick a deserved place in baseball circles. Thomas Taggart, ex-mayor of Indianapolis, and a well-known politician, is assisting the team. The Plutos are open to engagements with fast teams. Address John Chenault, Box 92, French Lick, Ind.

HOUSTON NOTES.

The famous Leland Giants, of Chicago, will cross bats with the Black Buffaloes of this city three days, beginning with tomorrow afternoon. The Buffaloes have promised to give the famous tossers a good sound baseball thrashing as they have never gotten before. The Giants have not been underestimated, but the localites believe themselves the Windy City's superiors.

The Black Bronchos, of San Antonio, Tex., defeated the Black Buffaloes in their recent game.

The young men of this city will give all ex-slaves free privileges to the grounds at the Emancipation Park June 19. Any young man wishing to donate for the occasion will oblige J. H. Tanner by seeing or writing to him.

WAXAHACHIE NOTES.

Milroy McCuin, the noted third baseman of the White Rock Sluggers, and who played last season with Walker's Dallas Giants of the Texas Colored League, has gone to Minneapolis, Minn., to accept an engagement with the Minneapolis Keystones, a fast aggregation of ball tossers of that section. We wish you success, "Millie," old boy.

Johnson Hill, another of Waxa's best players, has secured a berth with McGar's Fort Worth Wonders, of the Texas Colored League, and has made good. In his first game, with four times at bat, he got two singles, one two-bagger and one three-base hit, and three stolen bases to his credit.

In the game here on the 17th inst. between Oak Cliff and the Waxahachie Wonders, Ollie Thompson (the black "Rube" Waddell) had the visiting team at his mercy. The game was won by Waxahacie by a score of 6 to 2. The Dallas team was never in it at any stage of the game. After the game Manager Lewis Holmes decamped with the gate receipts, leaving the whole team on the city, broke and hungry.

In the game between the Waxahacie High School and the Ennis High School, at Ennis, Waxahachie won by a score of 20 to 4.

H. Ewert Rankin.

OXYGEN WINS FOR JEANETTE.

PARIS.—The Jeanette-McVey fight, April 17, was one of the most interesting contests that Paris has ever seen. Jeannette's victory was mainly due to the adoption of Young Corbett's method of inhaling oxygen between the rounds, the first time it had been resorted to on this side of the Atlantic. The efficacy of the oxygen treatment was well illustrted by its effects on Jeannette, who revived quickly after being on the verge of a knockout no less than four times during the fight. His freshness at the end of the forty-ninth round was such as to astonish the veterans of the prize ring who were gathered about the ringside.

EAGLES ENGAGE KETCHEL.

NEW YORK.—Stanley Ketchel, the middleweight champion, and Sam Langford have been offered a purse of $10,000 to battle for ten rounds at a boxing show to be held during a convention of the Eagles at Calumet, Mich., on June 10. The purse has been subscribed by fifty business men of that city, who are also willing to post a guarantee of a similar amount that they will bring off the fight if the men decide to fight for it. Although this offer is certainly a flatterin gone for a ten-round bout, it is not likely that Willus Britt, manager of Ketchel, will accept it, as Willus has already said that he will not have Ketchel fight any one until he meets Jack Johnson at Colma, Cal., on October 12.

WILL NOT FIGHT KETCHEL.

Jeffries Is Jack Johnson's Man—Californian Must Cover $5,000 Forfeit.

PITTSBURG.—Jack Johnson, champion heavyweight of the world, on being assured that Jim Jeffries in New York had indicated that he wants to fight, said:

"There will be no fight for me with Ketchel, then. No matter if Jeff does challenge the winner of the Johnson-Ketchel fight, the whole world knows that he is after me. I know it, any way, and am ready. I will throw Ketchel down, of course, when I'm given the chance to meet Jeffries.

"Any move I have made since beating Burns and winning the championship has been with the main idea in view of getting on with Jeffries. New York dispatches assure me that he is now willing to fight. Then let him cover the $5,000 I have posted in New York. I am ready. As to the time and place, Jeffries can practically settle that himself, so long as it is in reason,

bones are beginning to show again, and I'll defy any man to find any fat around my stomach. My wind is getting better right along. I'm able to box now and go along for some time at a fast clip without being in distress, and I think I hit just as hard and fast as I could the second time I met Corbett.

"I'll take plenty of time. I can't afford not to. Johnson may be a tough man to whip, and he may not, but I've got to be ready for the fight of my life, because I can't take any chances on that point. You can say for me that when I get into the ring to fight Johnson I'll be the same old boy. I'm going to make it my business to be the same old boy.

"Another thing. I do not think there is any chance for me to fight Johnson anywhere else than in this country. The fight will take place in America.

"Ketchel? I do not think he can bet Johnson. Might almost say I'm almost afraid that he can not, for he's got my best wishes, and if he does meet the Negro I'm going to pull for Ketchel to beat him and knock him out. If Ketchel can lick him there will not be any sense in my keeping on in training. If he wins from Ketch—well, it will be up to me then, and I'll be ready to do my best, just as I have always been."

AS THE FIGHT PICTURES TOLD THE STORY

By Harry W. Jackson.

The fight pictures of the Tommy Burns-Jack Johnson fight, which took place in Sydney, New South Wales, Australia, last December, were presented on canvas at performances given at the English Opera House last week. The pictures were very distinct, every turn and blow being clearly seen. The first ten minutes of the pictures were devote dto the training quarters of the fighters and views around and in the stadium, which was built of two thousand tons of timber, as well as requiring six weeks for its completion. The ringside seats, which sold at $50 apiece, were occupied by some of the most prominent people of the big island. Mrs. Jack Johnson was seated near Jack Johnson's corner. Though on the 26th of December, the spectators are seen in thir shirt sleeves and with handkerchiefs tied around their heads, as the sun was shining with intense heat. This is accounted for because in December the sun is on the other side of the equator, and the weather in Australia resembles our July weather.

When the two fighters, accompanied by their managers and the referee, Hugh McIntosh, who was also the promoter of the big mill, came to the center of the ring, everything seemed to have been in perfect readiness for the scheduled twenty-round fight. But shortly before the go Manager Fitzpatrick, who looked after Johnson's end of the business, looked over into Burns' corner and spied bandages wrapped around his arms near the elbows. Burns had these concealed by his wardrobe when he, Johnson and the officials were in consultation a few minutes previous. Fitz called Referee McIntosh's attention to the

HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION JACK JOHNSON

Whom Ex-Champion James J. Jeffries Has Consented to Fight within Ten Months.

and I feel that it will be. All I want is to get in the ring with him. No matter what the time or where the place.

"Never until I beat Jeffries will I be able to demonstrate to the American people that I am in his class, I suppose," continued Johnson, with some bitterness. "I have had it thrown up to me that I never beat a really good man, that it took me an awful lot of rounds to beat Tommy Burns last Christmas day in Australia, etc. Let me tell the American people that I could have beaten Burns that day in six rounds, can knock him out any time in six rounds now, but on that day I had to be most careful. If I had hit Tommy Burns once below the chin in that fight, I believe that I would have been disqualified for fouling. I know what I was up against there, and that's the reason that I fought so very carefully. I didn't want to give the slightest chance for ruling me out."

"TERRIBLE" SAM TO FIGHT IN LONDON, ENGLAND

Has Signed for a Contest Before N. S. C. with Ian Hague on Derby Day.

LONDON.—The projected fight between Jack Johnson, the colored heavyweight champion, and Sam Langford may possibly never be pulled off, as Langford has signed articles for a contest before the National Sporting Club on Derby day with Ian Hague, who last night wrested the championship of Great Britain from Gunner Jim Moir. Hague, who knocked Moir out in the first round in the easiest fashion, is a Yorkshire pitman. His previous opponents have been local small fry, and the ease with which he finished Moir was a great surprise. The National Sporting Club has offered a purse of $7,000, together with a side bet of $1,000, for the Langford-Hague fight.

AT LAST! AT LAST!! HE HAS SPOKEN!

Jeffries Will Meet Johnson—Will Take No Chances When He Faces the Conquerer of Tommy Burns.

NEW YORK.—James J. Jeffries has announced that he will fight J. A. Johnson. The eternal question has been answered; now let us have peace. This is no belated first of April jest; Jeffries means business. He makes the flat-footed statement that he will begin to train for Johnson as soon as his theatrical engagement comes to a close.

Jeffries said: "Sure, I'm going to fight. Might as well. I've been ready for several weeks, but I thought I'd let Johnson go along for a while. Some people will say that this is only a press agent gag. Look back over my record and you will never find that I ever said anything and went back on it. As a usual thing, it's a better plan not to say anything, but to do something. But in this case—well, you know how it has been. Everybody wants to know, and they haven't given me any rest.

"I never would have made this statement if I hadn't felt sure that I was able to get back into fighting trim. It would be the truth to say that I wasn't sure of that when I came to New York. My wind was thick and I had fat on me and inside me. I have taken off so much my cheek

bandages that the French-Canadian wore, and he could be seen to motion that Johnson would not fight until Burns removed the banages. Jack also shook his head negatively, refusing to fight until Burns was ready to meet him bare-armed. Burns finally agreed to answer the objection by removing the bandages. Jack dictated.

The fight began with Tommy the aggressor, and also the favorite at 3 to 1. Outweighed and outclassed in every respect of the game, Burns showed nothing commendable but his gameness, for which, as a fighter, he must be given credit. The Texan simply toyed with him at leisure throughout the fight, seldom missing a blow. The ex-champion resorted continually to clinching, and at times the fight seemed to have been diverted into a wrestling match. So tightly did they hold each other that Referee McIntosh often showed some difficulty in separating them; sometimes Johnson himself could not loosen from his opponent. Whenever he reached out with that awful right, it meant for Burns to play the leech. In the sixth round Johnson issued out several wallops which were responded to by Tommy clincing. It was announced from behind the canvas during this round that some one in the crowd yelled at Burns to "knock that grin off of Johnson's face." Then Johnson did grin, and he could be seen replying to the request. At the end of the eighth round he waved his glove at groggy Burns, telling him that he would be back. At one time, while Tommy clinched him, Johnson looked up at the sky, admiring the weather. He always wore that grin and talked to those seated around the ringside. After taking a number of those left hooks, the ex-champ. became cautious and stayed at some distance from Johnson, but he got what was coming to him just the same. "Artha" even dropped his guards, stood almost perfectly still, and did other stunts, giving Burns advantages, but still the French-Canadian could do no harm. In many instances the black walloper made it really laughable — sometimes intentionally — by "showing up" helpless Tommy, whose face showed marks of punishment.

Johnson tried hard to land a knockout blow from the tenth round to the time the bout was stopped, but he labored without avail. Had he made this earlier in the fight he would have probably made the ex-champ. take the full count of ten. One could easily observe his tactics of tiring Burns before he attempted to land the big thump.

The fourteenth and last round was interrupted by the chief of police, who was seated at the ringside. Johnson had floored Burns when the chief notified Referee McIntosh to discontinue the fight. McIntosh did so, and announced Johnson winner of the bout and the heavyweight champion of the world, after which Johnson went over to Burns' corner, carrying that grin along, and shook hands with the defeated man.

The whole fight looked like a boy and a man fighting—Johnson being the man. Checks for $31,000 for Burns, who received the lion's share, and $7,000 for Johnson were signed in the middle of the ring and presented to the managers of the two fighters. Jack watched this little incident more closely than he did Mr. Burns. The fighters do not share in the receipts of the pictures, as Mr. McIntosh bought the sole rights.

PIG BEATS SPRINTER.

LINCOLN, Mass.—Matched against a pig in a 100-yard dash for a purse of $75, J. H. Stillson, a well-known professional runner, lost by ten yards last Tuesday. Shamrock, the pig, is the property of Ike Tollick, a trainer of runners and old-time bicycle racer of Waltham. The pig was put through a unique training stunt. A bottle of milk was waved before his snout and then placed a hundred yards away, after which Shamrock was figured to do the distance in record time. That was practically the way the race was won, except that for the start there was nothing to it but the pig.

BLUE BIRDS REORGANIZED.

Lose Six Old Players—Manager Haggard Wants Bookings.

COVINGTON, Ky.—Special.—The Blue Birds, after losing six of their players this year to other cities, have been reorganized. Manager Haggard has succeeded in filling the vacancies with a capable set of men, and will be ready to book games with all out-of-town clubs after May 2, as the team will travel altogether. Mr. Haggard would like to hear from the A. B. C.'s of Indianapolis, the Louisville Giants of Louisville, Ky., the Louisville Cubs, Springfield and Dayton, Ohio., and elsewhere. Address Charles Haggard, 29 Athey avenue, Covington, Ky.

WANTS TO RECLAIM HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE

Jeffries Wants to Be Champion on Past Reputation—Ten Months to Defend "His" Title.

NEW YORK.—James J. Jeffries has announced that he has reclaimed the title of heavyweight champion of the world, and will be ready to defend it against all comers in ten months or a year. Jeffries, in a statement, says he is convinced that he will be made to get into good fighting condition. For some weeks the former champion has been touring the country giving sparring exhibitions and at the same time endeavoring to ascertain if his four years' retirement from the ring has impaired his fighting ability.

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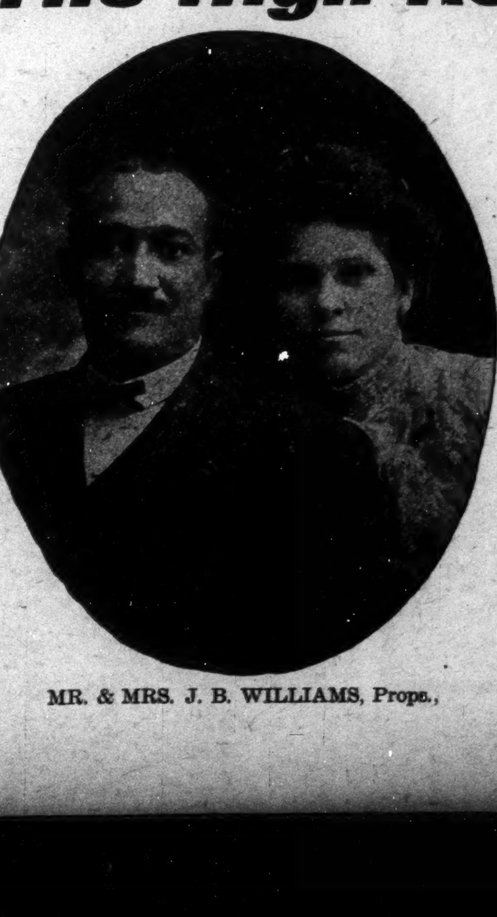

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CITY AND SOCIETY.

Miss Mary Brooks is ill with tonsilitis at her home in Camp street.

The Frau Frau Club will hold a business meeting Monday evening.

Mrs. G. H. Shaffer has gone to Springfield, Ohio, to visit her parents.

The Wistaria Club met Wednesday with its president, Mrs. Ella Ernest.

Mrs. Bessie White Kirtley, of Anderson, spent Sunday with friends in this city.

Sam Carter was in the city Wednesday, en route from Louisville, Ky., to Chicago.

T. H. Bazel, of Boise, Idaho, was the guest of his brother, Fort Bazel, last week.

Mrs. Belle Craignead went to Peoria during the week to attend the funeral of a nephew.

The Bachelors' Club gave the last of its winter series of assemblies last night at Odd Fellows' Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. John Banks, of Anderson, attended the funeral of Alfred Banks in this city Thursday.

Miss Mattie Steele is in Lexington, Ky., having been called there on account of the illness of her aunt.

Mrs. Sadie B. Dungey is in French Lick on official business of the Grand Court of Calanthe of Indiana.

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Dr. Robert O. Alexander, assisted by Dr. John W. Norrel, performed a very successful laparotomy at the City Hospital last Tuesday.

Walter Graves is much improved at Dr. J. H. Ward's sanitarium. John A. Puryear, who also received treatment there, is able to be out.

Irvin Banks, of Logansport, attended the funeral of his uncle, Alfred Banks, Thursday, in this city.

Mrs. Margaret Hughes and daughter Nellie were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Brown last Sunday.

The Woman's Improvement Club will meet next Thursday with Mrs. Frances Martin, 411 Bright street.

The Carolina Jubilee Singers, after a two weeks' rest in the city, left Monday to fill a series of engagements.

Mrs. Pattie Dean Brown, the singer, was in the city this week, on her way from a successful professional tour through the South.

Rev. G. H. Shaffer will go to Chicago Monday as a delegate to the World's Peace Congress, representing the Indiana A. M. E. District.

Bishop Grant, W. T. Vernon and Rev. John R. Ransom were in the city a few hours this week, en route from Kansas to Washington, D. C.

The old folks' concert given by Martin R. Delany Post at Bethel A. M. E. Church, assisted by the George H. Chapman W. R. C. drill team, was largely attended.

The Middendorf Club has issued invitations to an "at home" to its friends at the Teachers' College, Twenty-third and Alabama streets, May 7, from 8 to 10.

The funeral of Parker Warfield, an old member of Allen Chapel, was held at that church Thursday. He was fifty-five years old. He leaves a wife and two daughters.

Quarterly meeting will be held at Allen Chapel to-morrow at 3 o'clock. Rev. D. F. White will preach the sacramental sermon. Presiding Elder Hunter will preach in the morning.

Rev. T. A. Fenderson, pastor of Caldwell Chapel, Haughville, is preaching a series of special sermons. His subject tomorrow night will be "The Low Standard of Personal Religion."

The "Hiawatha" entertainment was given last night at Caleb Mills Hall under most auspicious conditions. A large and brilliant audience filled the hall. The program was pleasing from beginning to end.

Mrs. W. N. Curry and Jacques Beatty accompanied Misses Frazier and Wilson, of the Carolina Jubilee Singers, to spend Monday at Raintown with Mrs. Anna Phillips, who lives on a farm near that place.

Henry Odell, of Downer's Grove, Ill., brother of Mrs. Henry Hopkins, in West St. Clair street, was in the city last week, en route to Kentucky. On his return he will be accompanied home by his grandfather, James Miller.

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REV. E. L. GILLIAM HONORED.

Rev. Edward L. Gilliam, formerly pastor of Simpson Chapel Church, delivered an address before fifteen hundred students and professors of the Ohio State University on last Wednesday, being the first colored man in the history of the university to have had that distinguished honor.

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"UGLY" MEN'S CLUB.

The "Ugly" Men's Club, a popular social organization, was entertained Tuesday evening at the home of W. N. Curry, 520 West Michigan street. There were fourteen of the members present. Short talks were made by Messrs. W. R. Valentine and G. L. Hayes, new members of the club, after which the guests were invited to an elaborate spread of many courses. The menu was prepared and served by Miss Henrietta Davis, which guarantees its quality.

THE FRAU FRAU'S PARTY.

The Frau Frau Club, one of the leading social organizations of the city, gave a brilliant hop at Masonic Hall last Friday night. There were over a hundred guests present, and the many beautiful gowns worn were the object of much praise, to which the hall, brilliantly lighted, added a striking effect. The gents wore full evening dress. The grand march, led by its president, Mrs. George Worthing, and husband, followed by Mr. and Mrs. Gurley Brewer, took place at 10 o'clock. The music, by the Douglass Orchestra, was a pleasing feature of the affair. The club, which has become famous for the elegance of its entertainment of its friends, sustained its reputation.

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DEATH OF EVA MAY MILLIGAN.

Eva May, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Millikan, died Saturday at the family home, in South Keystone avenue, after an illness of about three months. Her funeral was held Monday at the home. Rev. G. H. Shaffer officiated. The services were very impressive, and there was a large attendance of relatives and friends. The singing, under the direction of Mrs. Fannie Brown, was by the Junior Christian Endeavor, of which the deceased was a member. Condolence from the society was read by Miss Elizabeth Mays; also resolutions of condolence from Bethel Sunday-school, of which Mr. Millikan is the superintendent, and from the trustee board of the church. The floral offerings were many and beautiful. She was eleven years of age.

WILL CONDUCT CAMPAIGN ALONG HONEST LINES

The mthods employed by Arthur A. Marcy in presenting himself before the people as a candidate for city clerk are to be admired by all clean citizens. His policy is to conduct a straightforward, houest campaign, free from the tricks and cavils usually introduced by the professional politicians. His is not going to be a saloon campaign. Whilst Mr. Marcy is liberal in his views, he feels that it is not conducive to the higher indictment of the people's regard for a candidate to be known as a caterer to any one class of the citizens, but to all alike. The best classes of both races in the city, regardless of political faith, are sitting up and taking notice of the sterling qualities of this progressive young business man.

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DEATH OF ALFRED BANKS.

Alfred Banks, at one time prominent as a business man in this city, where he had conducted a restaurant for a number of years, died Tuesday at Julietta Hospital for incurable insane. Mr. Banks had been an inmate of this institution for nearly two years. He had been in poor health for a number of years, but his decline became more rapid after the death of his first wife, Mrs. Parthenia Banks, who died in 1903. About two years after this he married a Miss Florence Reed. The latter was shortly afterward divorced from him. His mental ailment dates back over two years. A stroke of paralysis was the immediate cause of his death. He was forty-six years old. He was born in Franklin county, Virginia. He is survived by an only brother and a nephew. His funeral was held Thursday at the undertaking establishment of Shelton & Willis; interment at Crown Hill.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The following were elected to the board of directors of the Colored Young Men's Christian Association at the annual meeting: Messrs. George L. Knox, George W. Beasley, A. A. Taylor, Samuel Welch, John Jenkins, Thomas Ashley and Dr. J. H. Ward. The board will meet on Monday evening, at which time they will organize for the year.

On Next Tuesday, May 4, A. H. Godard, of the Central Y. M. C. A., will address the annual business men's meeting, at which time the general secretary will give his annual report. All business men and well wishers of the association are invited to attend.

The annual financial campaign will be inaugurated on May 5, and the board of directors are looking for a hearty response from the public.

On May 9 the public is invited to attend the great annual meeting that is being arranged for that date. A splendid program is being prepared, and a treat is in store for all who come. The ladies are especially invited to be present. Doors open at 3 p. m. Program begins promptly.

THE PASSING OF "FERG."

The death of Dave Ferguson last Tuesday morning will come as somewhat of a surprise to his many friends and acquaintances. Mr. Ferguson was familiarly known as "Ferg," and was one of the well-known characters that go to make up the cosmopolitan citizenship of Indiana avenue. He was for many years in the employ of Charles Rape, the well-known barber, who was, perhaps, the only really interested friend the old man had at the end. The later years of Ferguson's life presented a picture of touching sadness. Without a home, and only the memory of other days, when he was the possessor of good property, surrounded by his promising family, he passed the last days of his life in Rape's shop, making it altogether his home. Mr. Rape deserves much credit for the unswerving fidelity of his friendship for the declining old man. It has been said that through some misfortune Ferguson became addicted to the use of strong drugs many years ago, and it was known for a long time that the inevitable was only deferred by the unusual vitality of the man, who put up a game fight against fearful odds to the vest last. His fortitude and uncomplaining nature often attracted the attention of the customers of the shop where he was employed. Though wrapped constantly in the sorrows brought about by the ever-haunting memories of what he might have been, he still had a smile and a kind word for every one. To contemplate the wretchedness of this misguided man would touch the softer side of the hardest hear. In the twilight of his old age he was a wreck upon the rocks of irresistible and unnatural appetites, which, alas! were beyond mortal man to control. His passing should be a lesson and a sermon both to old and young alike.

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